Greetings from Dave

Exciting times! This past summer has been non-stop activity with buying and selling coins, traveling, writing, and more. How exciting!



And, I am happy to report that all's well on the business (bottom-line) end. My gosh, we've even sold a handful of Flowing Hair and Coiled Hair Stellas recently. Last week, Collectors Universe, our parent company, reported a very sat-

isfactory business quarter (Collectors Universe is CLCT on NASDAQ).

Our staff has been enhanced by the addition of two nationally known numismatists. Gordon Wrubel, a founder of PCGS back in 1986 and a dealer long before that time, has picked up from California-lock, stock, and barrel—and moved here. Soon, in the Rare Coin Review we'll have a Gordon "feature."

And, John Kraljevich, who began gathering numismatic awards before he was a teenager, has joined our staff, and is going to move here from Colo-

rado Springs. If we're not careful, Iola, Wisconsin (where Numismatic News is published) and Sidney, Ohio (home of Coin World) will have to yield "Coin Capital of the United States" to Wolfeboro. Actually, there is no chance of that happening-but we do have a mighty fine, very enthusiastic, very talented staff.

Amidst all of this activity we celebrated the end of the tourist season here in New Hampshire by chartering the Winnipesaukee Belle, an excursion boat, for a nice dinner and mini-concert (three-piece band that actually played tunes we could recognize) on the lake. Now that we are all relaxed (ha!) we can, with renewed vigor, start work on more issues of the Coin Collector.

Coins, coins, and more coins! Lots of coins await you in the pages to follow-all carefully selected by the fussiest, pickiest buyers in the world! We we buy a coin we look at it once, twice, and then check it again-and absolutely will not write a Bowers and Merena check for any coin that we ourselves would not be proud to own and display.

If quality is your forte, you have come to the right place. Welcome! If this is your first issue of the Coin Collector, place a trial order. I guarantee you'll be delighted when your coins, books, or other items arrive in your mail box. If not, an instant refund awaits you. To order, call Gail Watson or Debbie McDonald toll-free at 1-800-222-5993, or send your order by email, fax, or via the Post Office. Be sure to check out our Books for Sale section. Each book comes with a discount. Just call Mary Tocci of our staff, same number as above, and she will compute your order, figure your best discount, and charge it to your credit card.

Thanks for your business and friendship. Sincerely yours,

Q. David Bowers

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NEWS FLASH Now Available!

1856-S Double Eagles from the S.S. Central America

Recently, beautiful 1857-S double eagles from the S.S. Central America caused a great news stir when after 130 years undersea, and after nearly a decade of preparation, they finally became available for purchase by the public. The numismatic community, treasure enthusiasts, history buffs, and anyone who had an interest in the fabulous story behind the S.S. Central America, her cargo, her place in the fabulous days of the California Gold Rush, clamored to own a piece of this significant national treasure. Never before in the history of rare coins, or of treasure seeking, had such an offering been made! Response was overwhelming and the limited number of 1856-S \$20s avail-

able is nearly depleted.

Now, on the heels of such a significant offering comes Phase II, so to speak, as the 1856-S double eagles are now available to you in an extremely limited number. Over 5,000 1857-S double eagles were recovered while only 1,106 1856-S double eagles were salvaged from the bottom of the sea. We anticipate these selling out in just a few short days so call immediately to reserve one in your name.

Each 1856-S double eagle comes in a specially designed leatherette bound presentation case, certified by Professional Coin Grading Service, certificate of authenticity signed by Tommy Thompson, given its own special serial number and pedigreed to the treasure coins carried aboard the sidewheel steamer, the S.S. Central America lost at sea on September 12, 1857. Once these coins are sold, there will be no more. Who could possibly

part with their personal share of such a magnificent national treasure?

If you would like to acquire one or more of these national treasures, simply call Gail Watson or Debbie MacDonald at 1-800-222-5993 for more information or to place your immediate order. Only AU grades are available, in extremely limited quantities. Prices are as follows:

AU-58 \$5,630 AU-55 \$4,925 AU-53 \$4,225 AU-50 \$3,520

In the meantime... Dave Bowers is work-

ing on a fabulous new book The History of the Gold Rush as Illustrated by Treasures from the S.S. Central America. This monumental work will be in print in the first quarter of the

New Year and, we feel, will be one of the best books ever written. Several hundred pages in length, fully illustrated (with dozens of color images as well as black and white), packed with stories, anecdotes, personal interviews and loads of information never before assembled in one place, The History of the Gold Rush is destined to be a best-seller! Stay tuned as sales information becomes available in the upcoming months. We print excerpts from the draft of the Foreword:

The Wreck of the S.S. Central America

On her way from Panama to New York City in 1857, the sidewheel steamer S.S. Central America encountered an unexpected hurricane. After being tossed by mountainous seas for several days, the 278-foot, 2,141-ton vessel slipped below the waves on the night of September 12. Carried to a watery grave in nearly 8,500 feet of water 200 miles off the coast of North Carolina were about 425 men, with only 153 survivors—mostly women and

By 1857, the California Gold Rush was in its mature era, the output of precious metal having peaked in 1853. Coins from the San

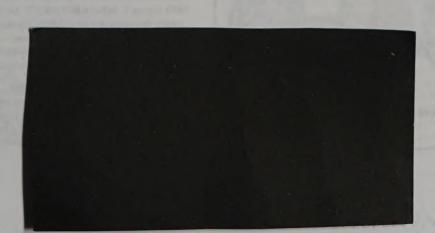
> Francisco Mint (which had opened in 1854) and from several private coiners, as well as gold bars, were shipped on a regular basis from California to the East, particularly to New York City, from which point the gold went to banks, the United States Assay Office, and to the Philadelphia Mint, among other destinations (including transshipment to London, the center of the world gold market).

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COLONIAL AND EARLY AMERICAN COINS

Lovely 1723 Hibernia Halfpenny 1723 Wood's Hibernia halfpenny. MS-64 RB (PCGS). Lovely surfaces with the reverse nearly full red. A splendid coin! 1,545

Lustrous 1723 Hibernia Farthing Somewhat Scarce

1723 Wood's Hibernia farthing. Breen-169. D:G: REX. MS-63 BN (PCGS). A common coin in lower grades, but somewhat scarce in Mint State.

1723 Wood's Hibernia farthing. Breen-172. DEI. GRATIA. REX. 11 Harp Strings. MS-64 BN

1723 Wood's Hibernia farthing. Breen-172. DEI. GRATIA. REX. 11 Harp Strings. MS-62 BN

1723 Wood's Hibernia farthing. Breen-172. DEI. GRATIA. REX. 12 Harp Strings. AU-58 1723 Wood's Hibernia farthing. Breen-172. DEI. GRATIA. REX. EF-45. An attractive example

with traces of lustre remaining. 385 1724 Wood's Hibernia farthing. Breen-177. 10 Harp Strings EF-40. At least 10 times harder to find than the issues dated 1723, and also scarcer than those of 1722. 995

1724 Wood's Hibernia farthing. Breen-175. 10 Harp 1760 Voce Populi. Breen-221, Z-2a. AU-50

Delightful 1783 Nova Constellatio Copper

1783 Nova Constellatio. Blunt Rays. AU-55 (PCGS). Lovely surfaces. 1,895 1785 Nova Constellatio. Crosby-3b. Pointed

1787 Connecticut copper. Miller 33.39-S.1. Draped Bust Left. EF-45. Light brown. Some original planchet surface characteristics are still visible on the high points. Outstanding quality. 695 1786 New Jersey copper. Maris-18M. Bridle va-

riety. VF-20 (PCGS). 595

Splendid Kentucky Cent

Undated (c.1792) Kentucky cent. Breen-1155. Plain edge. MS-64 BN (PCGS). A splendid specimen of this popular variety; the edge style usually seen. 1,495

Undated (c.1792) Kentucky cent. Plain edge.

1791 Washington Small Eagle Cent 1791 Washington cent. Small eagle. Baker-16. Breen-1217. AU-53 (PCGS). A classic issue one of the best known Washington tokens of the

Undated Washington Double Head Cent. AU-58 (PCGS). Very attractive surfaces. Hardly ever seen this nice! One of many early American coins. 995

1795 T, A & L Cent

1795 Talbot, Allum & Lee cent MS-63 BN (PCGS). A nice example. Many of these pieces remained undistributed and were purchased by the Philadelphia Mint and used for the cutting out of

Libertas Americana Medal

1781 Betts-615. Libertas Americana medal in copper. Proof-60. A lovely, far above average specimen, with rich glossy brown Proof surface and superb detail—a specimen that is in the top 20%, quality-wise, of the copper impressions we have handled over the years. Numismatic Americana at its finest! 3,795



HALF CENTS

Superb 1800 Half Cent

1800 Breen-1b, Cohen-1. Die State III. MS-64 BN (NGC). First year of the Draped Bust design. Simply put, an outstanding coin in all respects. Nicely struck for the date, well centered, and attractive. The glossy chocolate brown surfaces display wisps of red iridescence in the protected areas. This lovely near-gem coin is easily deserving of the assigned grade, and then some. Qual-

Gem Proof 1831 Half Cent Rarity

1831 B-2. Proof-65 RD (PCGS). An outstanding example of the "First Restrike" 1831 half cent, with the reverse of 1836. This variety is only known in Proof quality, with most examples have considerably lower aesthetic appeal than that offered here. Struck after the production of 1836 Proof half cents sharing the same reverse die, the latter coins considered Originals, actually struck in 1836. 24.950 1834 B-1, C-1. MS-62 BN (NGC). 289 1835 B-1, C-1. MS-62 BN (NGC). Lustrous 1855 B-1. MS-64 RD (PCGS). Lustrous red sur-1855 B-1, C-1. AU-50. 129



LARGE CENTS

1798 Sheldon-166. Second Hair Style, Large 8. VF-25. (PCGS). The so-called Whisker Variety, from a tiny hair-like die defect under Miss Liberty's chin. A pleasing specimen of this popular date and variety. 1,195

1798 Large Cent S-179

1798 S-179. Second Hair Style. AU-55 (PCGS). A very attractive specimen with beautiful brown surfaces and traces of red. Extraordinary condition! In fact, an extraordinary coin! 6,950

1803 S-249. Corrected Fraction, 1/100 over 1/ 000. VF-35 (PCGS). A nice example of the popular error fraction variety. Deep tan and brown with plenty of eye appeal for the grade. 1,175

Rare 1803 S-262 Cent Variety Small Date, Small Fraction

1803 S-262. Low Rarity-4. Small Date, Small Fraction. VF-25 (PCGS). A very elusive die variety in any grade; especially so at the Very Fine level offered here. An attractive cent you'll admire again and again when it is in your cabinet. 2,195

Exceptional 1809 Large Cent

1809 S-280. Rarity-2. AU-58 (PCGS). A simply lovely example of what may be the most elusive date of the Classic Head large cent type. Typically found dark and slightly rough, this smooth deep tan specimen will be an article of great pride, a guaranteed focal point in the collection of its new owner. Hardly ever found this nice. 10,150

Sharp 1814 Large Cent

1814 S-295. Plain 4. AU-55 (PCGS). A wonderful, sharply struck Classic Head large cent for your date or type collection. Glossy steel brown with a splash of faded mint red on the reverse. 3,995 1817 Newcomb-14 MS-62 BN. (NGC). 395 1819 N-8. Small Date. MS-64 RB (NGC). Lustrous red and brown. An attractive Randall Hoard

1820/19 N-3. Small Date. AU-58 (NGC). Lustrous brown surfaces with hints of red. Popular overdate

Puzzle-Wuzzle

The puzzle is to take seven coins—half dollar, quarter dollar, nickel and four pennies, totaling 84 cents—and arrange them in two rows, five coins in each row, each row totaling 82 cents. Can you do it?



Here's how: Place the half dollar, quarter dollar and nickel in a pile, with a cent above, below and on each side of the pile.

crossing two decades. 1820 N-13 Large Date. MS-65 BN. (PCGS).1,295

Marvelous AU 1821 Cent

1821 AU-58 (PCGS). Attractive medium brown surfaces. A marvelous coin—a very high-grade example of one of the top several rarest issues in the 1816-1857 late-date cent range 4,250

Attractive 1823 Restrike Cent

1823 Restrike. MS-64 RB (NGC). Brilliant in most areas, with attractive light brown toning. A very high quality specimen of this fascinating coin-a variety born under unrecorded circumstances in the early 1860s, and which furnished the subject for a talk by our own Mark Borckardt at the American Numismatic Society's Coinage of the Americas 1826 N-7 MS-62 BN (NGC). Attractive medium 1850 MS-64 BN (PCGS). Wonderful surfaces. 349

Gem Red 1855 Cent

1855 N-4. Upright 55. MS-66 BN (NGC). Won-

1855 N-4. Upright 55. MS-65 RD (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous. Marvelous appearance! Marvelous quality! Wow!



SMALL CENTS

Flying Eagle Cents

1856 Flying Eagle. Proof-35 (PCGS). A lovely coin with wear as sustained from spending a decade or two in circulation—quite possibly one of the pieces that was distributed to congressmen, newspaper editors, and others of influence. A coin with immense numismatic significance combined with great eye appeal for the grade. A find when we bought it, and a find for you as well 5,895 1857 Doubled Die Obverse. MS-63 (PCGS). Lustrous with strong eye appeal. 750

MS-65 1858 L.L. Flying Eagle Cent

1858 Large Letters. MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant and attractive. Becoming very hard to find in gem Mint State such as here offered. 3,995

Gem 1858 L.L. Cent 1858 Large Letters MS-65 (PCGS). Lovely, lustrous

surfaces. A splendid gem. 3,995

Indian Head Cents

1859 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. A lovely specimen of this "must have" type coin. 925

Famous 1859 Advertising Cent

1859 Advertising cent. There's room for one of these in every collection, and what a "story" such a coin will add to any specialized Indian cent display! We are referring to the famous 1859 Indian Head cents that in 1859 were acquired by William Bell, Jr., an Erie, Pennsylvania entrepreneur. He had the reverses planed down, and in the blank space he affixed by a special punch the inscription: FOR / BARGAINS / IN DRY GOODS GO TO W BELL'S / 5 EXCHANGE / ERIE PA. The quantity of freshly minted cents he acquired for this purpose is not known, but a guess might be 500 pieces—as Indian cents were put up in bags containing such a number. In any event, the cents were placed into circulation, where they seem to have served their purpose by drawing patrons to W. Bell's Exchange. Today, the typical grade seen for such tokens—when, indeed, they are seen at all—is apt to be Fine, with the obverse slightly bulged outward from the original stamping process (causing the LIB-ERTY word in the headdress to wear away). Some time ago Dave Bowers acquired a small group of these coins that had been saved over a long period of years by a well-known numismatist. The purpose was to study them carefully to see if there were any variations in the style of punches. There were and are not. All are the same. Now, Dave has kept one and consigned the others to us. Buy one for .. 149 1862 MS-65 (PCGS). Great eye appeal. An exceptionally nice specimen of this Civil War date. 845 1866 MS-64 BN (PCGS). Lustrous brown. 425 1869 G-4 (PCGS). 49 1870 MS-65 RB (NGC). Lustrous with mostly red 1870 MS-64 RB (PCGS). Lustrous red and brown. 795 1871 MS-63 BN. (NGC). A very nice specimen of one of the key issues in the Indian cent series. 1873 Open 3. MS-65 BN (NGC). Lustrous brown

with the attractive woodgrain toning sometimes seen on cents of this era. Lucky you! 695 1874 MS-65 BN(PCGS). Lustrous brown with a halo

of mint red at the periphery. 579 Red 1875 Indian Cent

1875 MS-65 RD (PCGS). Lustrous red, a surface quality seen on only a tiny percentage of extant specimens. Slightly scarcer than 1874 in Mint State, although easily available in worn grades. 3,495

1875 MS-65 RB (PCGS). Lustrous red and 1876 MS-65 RB (NGC). Lustrous red and 1877 VG-10 (NGC). Medium brown surfaces. 895 1877 G-6 (PCGS). A very nice example of this is-1888 MS-64 RB (PCGS). Lustrous red and 1891 MS-65 RB (PCGS). Lustrous brick red with some brown. 329 1891 MS-64 RD (PCGS). Brilliant. 399 1898 Proof-63 RD (PCGS). Reflective fields surround lightly frosty central motifs. 279 1898 AU-58. 39 1903 Proof-63 RD. Lustrous red. Lot of value 1906 MS-65 RB. Lustrous red and brown. 145 1909-S Indian. F-12 (PCGS). A nice "middle grade" specimen of this American classic; high grade enough to show most details, low grade enough to

Lincoln Cents

Gem 1909-S V.D.B. Cent

1909-S V.D.B. MS-65 RB (PCGS). Lustrous red and brown. A beautiful specimen of the Lincoln cent rarity—a variety that has no equal when it comes to a combination of decades of numismatic desirability and status as the most celebrated rarity in any and 1909-S V.D.B. MS-64 RB (NGC). Lustrous red and brown. The classic Lincoln cent rarity. A nice scene in coin-dealing heaven would be to buy a

hoard of a hundred of these! They would probably sell before we had the chance to list them. . 1,250 1909-S V.D.B. EF-40 BN (NGC). Lustrous 1909-S V.D.B. VF-30 (NGC). 635 1909-S V.D.B. VF-30 (PCGS). 635 1909-S V.D.B. VF-25. 615 1909-S V.D.B. VF-20 (ANACS). 585

Gem Matte Proof 1910 Cent

1910 Matte Proof-65 RD. (PCGS). Brilliant red, and rare so bright! An exceptional specimen! 1,795 1912-D MS-65 RD (PCGS). Brilliant. A condition rarity. Available easily enough in low grades, but at this level a rarity of significant import. 1,295

Gem 1914-D Cent

1914-D MS-65 RB (NGC). A lovely specimen. Of all Lincoln cent mintmark varieties, the 1914-D is the most desired. The 1909-S V.D.B. has a lower mintage, but specimens were saved in fair numbers due to the novelty of the design. By 1914, the novelty had passed, and coins of the 1914-D variety slipped unnoticed into general circulation. Today, probably only a few hundred specimens exist equivalent to the coin we offer here. When you consider that millions of people just love Lincoln cents, it is evident that, indeed, here is an opportu-

Lovely 1914-D Cent Rarity

1914-D MS-64 BN (NGC). Very nicely struck with hints of red in the protected areas. In Mint State this is the Lincoln cent of the era—far rarer in this preservation than any of its contemporaries. It is not often that we have such a lovely, high-grade example for sale. This choice piece will be just right in an advanced cabinet 3,295

1915 Proof Cent Rarity

1915 Proof-66 RB (PCGS). Lustrous red and brown surfaces, mostly red. Very rare in this grade-or 1916-D MS-65 RB (NGC). Lustrous red and 1918-D MS-63 BN (NGC). Attractive brown sur-1921-S MS-65 RB (PCGS). Lustrous red and 1925 MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant. 215 1928 MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant. 215 1931 MS-66 RD. Brilliant. 199 1936 MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant. 49 1939-S MS-67 RD (PCGS).Brilliant red. 129 1942-S MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red. 39 1943 Steel. MS-67 (NGC)......79

Marvelous Gem 1955 Doubled Die Cent

1955 Doubled Die, MS-65 RD (PCGS). A wonderful example of this rare and very popular cent. Since its discovery, the 1955 Doubled Die, never easy to find in gem preservation, has become rarer yet-what with specimens having been cleaned, etc. In the present era, several years may elapse between our offering of a piece such as we now present-Gordon Wrubel, who when it comes to being a discriminating buyer, is as "fussy" as all get-out, purchased this coin! Here is a marvelous coin—not inexpensive, but where could you (or we?) find another? 27,500

Rare 1955 Doubled Die Cent 1955 Doubled Die. MS-62 BN (PCGS). Lustrous brown. A very nice combination of high grade with 1955 Doubled Die. AU-55 (NGC). Lustrous 1964 Proof-68 Deep Cameo (PCGS). Brilliant. 195



2¢ PIECES

1859 AU-50 (PCGS). Medium brown surfaces. 159
1864 Large Motto MS-65 RD. (PCGS). Blazing
red
1864 Small Motto MS-64 RB (PCGS). Mostly red
on the obverse, while the reverse is an attractive
medium brown 1,395
1865 Proof 64 RD (PCGS). The obverse has superb
deep red surfaces and the reverse is brick red with
iridescent highlights 995
1865 MS-65 RB (PCGS). Lustrous red and
brown 525
1867 MS-65 RB (PCGS). Brilliant 519
1869 Proof-65 RB (NGC). Lustrous red and brown
almost full red 875
Superb Gem Proof 1871
Supero Gerii F 1001 10/1

1871 Proof 66 RD (PCGS). Flashy red with nice eye appeal. An exciting coin—one of the finest we have

ever seen! Rare! Rare! Rare! 2,795 1871 MS-62 RB (PCGS). Lustrous red and brown. 395

Classic 1873 Proof Rarity

1873 Open 3 Proof-65 RB. (PCGS). Lustrous red and brown. The Open 3 variety is rare with only 500 minted according to Walter Breen (in reality, who knows?-but the number was small). A key issue made only in Proof format. One of the nicest we have had in quite some time 2,995



NICKEL 3¢ PIECES

1865 MS-65 (PCGS). A nice example of the first year
of issue 795
1871 Proof-64 (PCGS). Brilliant 539
1874 Proof-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. Quite scarce in
choice Proof preservation (the same can be said for
all other Proof nickel three-cent pieces of the late
1860s and early 1870s) 395
1879 Proof-64 (PCGS). Light champagne 395

Superb Gem 1879 Three Cents 1879 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. An exceptionally high-grade specimen of this popular low-mintage date. 1,695 1880 Proof-65 (NGC). Brilliant. 595 1880 Proof 64 (PCGS). Very attractive. 395 1881 Proof-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. An ideal candidate

1881 MS-64 (NGC). Light golden surfaces. 259 1882 Proof-67 (PCGS). A blazing cameo with great eye appeal. Exceptionally high grade! 1,450 1883 Proof-66 (PCGS). Light champagne sur-1884 Proof-65 (NGC). Brilliant. Ever popular date with overall low mintage, placing much additional

demand on Proofs. 595 1886 Proof-67 (PCGS). Brilliant. One of the Proofonly issues in the series; no related circulation strikes were made. Always popular. Exceptionally high

1886 Proof-66 (PCGS). Lustrous with a whisper of light champagne toning. Nice! 995



SILVER 3¢ PIECES

1856 MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant. One of the scarcer dates in the series—in fact, very elusive in any grade, never mind just Mint State! 435

Notable 1858 Trime

1858 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. A very attractive specimen of the last year of the Type II silver threecent piece. Not at all easy to find in Mint State, especially at this level. 1861 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. One of the more available trime dates of this era. Ideal for inclusion

in a type set to illustrate the Type III 1859-1873 1,050 1861 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous. 459

Gem Proof 1867 Silver Three Cents

1867 Proof-66 (PCGS). Lovely light iridescent surfaces. A marvelous specimen of this rare date—one of the keys to the series. 2,395 1872 Proof-63 (PCGS). Lustrous with some frost on the devices. Rare! Rare! Rare! And yet it costs only 825



NICKEL 5¢ PIECES

Shield Nichels

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1866 Rays MS-64 (NGC). Lustrous iridescent sur
faces
1871 Proof-65 (PCGS). Light champagne sur
faces
1872 Proof-65 (NGC). Brilliant and beautiful. 825
1872 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant
1874 Proof-64 (PCGS). Brilliant and very attractive

	tive 5/5
	Elusive Gem Proof 1875 Shield 5¢
18	875 Proof-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. Incredibly reflec-
	tive fields and lightly frosted motifs. A truly notable
	specimen of this elusive date 1,950
18	875 MS-64 (PCGS). The 1875 is much scarcer over-
	all in Mint State than in Proof format. A find for the
	specialist 595
18	878 Proof-66 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces. This
	Proof-only date is incredibly interesting and im-
	portant. Just 2,350 were struck—the third lowes
	mintage in the entire nickel five-cent series from
	1866 to date (the only two lower mintages are the
	1877 Shield and the 1913 Liberty Head). It is
	amazing, in our studied opinion, that such a rar-

amazing, in our studied opinion, that such a rar-
ity—and in superb gem preservation-can be
bought for only 1,195
1878 Proof-62 (PCGS). Brilliant. Rare, it goes with-
out saying. Reasonably priced at just 629
1879/8 Proof-66 (NGC). Brilliant
1879/8 Proof-66 (PCGS). Flashy with hints of blue
and gold toning
1880 Proof-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. A superb gem

1879/8 Proof-66 (PCGS). Flashy with hints of blue
and gold toning 1,195
1880 Proof-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. A superb gem
specimen of this Shield nickel favorite 975
1881 Proof-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. Ever-popular low-
mintage date 975
1881 Proof-65 (PCGS). Light champagne surfaces
Lovely!
1881 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. Ten to 20 times rares

LOVELY: /25
1881 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. Ten to 20 times rares
than an equivalent Proof! Another specimen of a
date remarkable for its low circulation strike mint-
age, one of the lowest of the five-cent denomina-
tion
1881 MS-62 (PCGS) Mostly brilliant with just a

1881 MS-62 (PCGS). Mostly brilliant with just
whisper of light golden toning
1882 Proof-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. This would loo
just great in your collection. Quality such as this
elusive 99
1882 Proof-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. Ideal for a type
set 59

1882 MS-65 (PCGS), Brilliant. 535 1883 Shield Proof-65 (PCGS). Nice contrast between the fields and devices. 595

Superb Gem 1883 Shield 5¢ 1883 Shield. MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant and highly

lustrous. A satiny gem of exquisite overall eye appeal. Sharply struck from lightly shattered dies; both sides exhibit strong die cracks in various locations. From the final year of the design type. 1,450 1883 Shield. Proof-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. 975

Liberty Head Nickels
1883 Liberty Head. No CENTS. MS-66 (NGC).
Brilliant and lustrous 875
1884 Proof-65 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces. Rare
so final 595
1889 Proof-65 (NGC). Lovely light golden irides-
cence 595
1889 MS-65 (NGC). Light golden toning 595
1890 Proof-65. Brilliant 595
1890 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant
1891 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant
1891 MS-64. Lustrous
1894 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant. One of the scarcer
dates in the era
1899 Proof-66 (PCGS). Nicely mirrored fields with
frost on Miss Liberty's portrait, giving a cameo ef-
fect 995
1899 MS-65 (PCGS). Light champagne surfaces.645
1900 Proof-65 (PCGS) Lustrous light golden sur-
faces
1900 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant 595
1902 Proof-65 (NGC) 585
1903 Proof-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. Exceptional qual-
ity995
1903 Proof-65 (PCGS). Light champagne surfaces.
Choice Proofs with nice eye appeal are very hard to
find. This is one. Buy it! 595
1904 Proof-63. Light golden surfaces 195
1905 Proof-64 (PCGS). Brilliant
1905 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant 595
1906 Proof-66 (PCGS). Light champagne surfaces.
Not many around this nice! 995
1908 Proof-65 (NGC). Light champagne surfaces.
Very rare in gem Proof format and preservation and,
in our opinion, unbelievably cheap! 575
1909 Proof-64 (PCGS). Brilliant
1909 MS-65 (NGC). Blazing lustre
1911 Proof-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. Gem Proofs of this
era are much more difficult to obtain than is gener-
ally realized 695

This & That

FOUND: On the front page of the New York Times (Sunday, September 3) this oxymoron headline: "Alone Together at the Shore."

A QUESTION OF DEGREE: J. Ross Browne, who was dispatched by the government to report on certain federal agencies in California, wrote: "Having no unfriendly feeling toward any man, and attaching a fair valuation to life, I did not much relish the notion of placing any man's personal infirmities upon the official records. No man likes to have his predilection for stimulating beverages made a matter of public question, and the gradations between temperance and intemperance are so arbitrary in different communities that it would be a very difficult matter to report upon. I have seen men 'sociable' in New Orleans who would be considered 'elevated' in Boston, and men 'a little shot' in Texas who would be regarded as 'drunk' in Maine. With respect to honesty, that was an equally delicate matter. What might be considered honest among politicians might be very questionable in ordinary life." (From "My Official Experiences," as quoted by Lina Fergusson Browne, editor of his papers)

QUICK REQUEST: In reading a biography of California Gold Rush personality Sam Brannan we came across a note that in 1856 he was a partner in a new bank in San Francisco that issued paper money, actually, according to the account, "flooding" the city. However, as issuance of such paper money would have been illegal under the state Constitution, and as we have come across no account elsewhere, we wonder if there is even a slight element of truth to the statement. Any ideas?

Buffalo Nickels

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1913 Buffalo. Type I. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. 129
1913 Buffalo. Type I. MS-66. Brilliant 345
1913 Buffalo. Type II. Proof-64 (PCGS). Light
golden surfaces 1,075
1913 Buffalo. Type II. MS-65 (PCGS). Lustrous rose
surfaces
1914 Proof-65 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces.1,595
1914-D AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant 215
1915 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant
0 4045 037 1 1

Gem 1917-S Nickel
1917-S MS-65 (PCGS). Lustrous with light golden
surfaces. A gem specimen of a Buffalo nickel that
when seen in Mint State usually is far below this
beauty! If you have been looking for a nice 1917-S,
your search ends right here! 3,095
1917-D MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant 985
1917-D MS-62 (PCGS). Nicely toned 425

Rare 1918/7-D Buffalo Nickel

1918/7-D. VF-35 (NGC). Attractive light surfaces. A very pleasing specimen of this famous overdate rarity. You'll like the quality. 2,950

Desirable 1918/7-D Overdate Nickel

1918/7-D F-15 (PCGS). Overdate feature clear. Rar-
est major issue in the Buffalo nickel series—the key
issue to the set 1,495
1918 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. An especially beau-
tiful specimen from a fine old-time collection. Prob-
ably acquired at or near the time of issue, and kep
in one cabinet since that time 1,450

Memorable Quality 1919-S Nickel

1919-S MS-64 (PCGS). Flashy lustre with a hint of
baby blue at the rims. A coin of memorable qual-
ity—another find for the connoisseur 3,995
1920 MS-65 (PCGS). Light iridescent surfaces. 750
1921 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. Not a rarity, but so
nice to own
1921 MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant 199

Attractive 1923-S Buffalo Nickel

1923-S MS-64 (PCGS). Lustrous with a whisper o
golden toning. An outstanding specimen of one o
the more elusive issues in the series 1,495
1925 MS-65 (PCGS). Lovely satiny surfaces 495

Well Struck 1925-S Nickel

1925-S MS-64 (PCGS). Nicely struck for this date—
itself a remarkable situation. However, that is not all.
It is beautiful as well! When this arrives in your
mailbox you'll be thrilled! We guarantee it. 4,625
1926 MS-65 (NGC). Light champagne surfaces.195
1926 MS-65 (PCGS). Nicely toned
1927 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant 245
1927 MS-65 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces 245
1928 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant 265
1928 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant
1928-D MS-65 (PCGS). Light champagne sur-
faces 695
1928-D MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant
1928-S MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant 635
1928-S MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. Quite scarce in this
choice preservation
Gem 1929-D Nickel
1020 D MS 65 (DCCS) Brilliant A condition ravity

1929-D MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. A condition rarity.
Very elusive in gem Mint State 1,695
1929-S MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant
1930-S MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant 539
1934-D MS-65 (PCGS). A satiny gem with lovely
gold and rose toning on matte-like surfaces. Some
lightness of strike is noted on the reverse, not un-
usual for this particular Denver Mint product. If you
like your Buffalo nickels attractively toned, this one
is for you
1935 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant
1935-D MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant

Lightly Toned Gem Satin Proof 1936 Nickel 1936 Type I. Proof-67 (PCGS). Light gold peripheral toning. An exquisite and beautiful specimen of the first Proof nickel to be made since 1916 (or, per

Brilliant Gem Satin Proof 1936 Nickel 1936 Type I. Proof-67 (PCGS). Brilliant and beau-**1936 Proof-66 Type I** (PCGS). Brilliant. 1,050

Gem Brilliant Proof 1936 Nickel

Gem Dilliant Froot 1930 Nickel
1936 Type II. Proof-67 (PCGS). Brilliant. The so-
called "Type II" (Variety II would be better nomen-
clature) with mirror rather than satin fields. 3,250
1936 Proof-66 Type II (NGC). Brilliant 1,330
1936 Proof-65 Type II (PCGS). Brilliant 1,395
1936 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant
1936 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant 109
1936-D MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant 125
1936-S MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant
1937 Proof-67 (PCGS). Brilliant. Exceptionally high
grade! Mirror surfaces as on all Proofs this year.1,250
1937 Proof-65 (PCGS). Brilliant 895
1937 MS-67 (NGC). Brilliant 245
1937 MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant 59
1937 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant 65
1937-D MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant 125
1937-D MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant
1937-D MS-66 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces. 125
1937-D MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant
0 1007 0 0 7 107 1 1

Gem 1937-D 3-Legged Nickel

1937-D 3-Legged "error." MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. One of the nicest specimens we have ever seen or handled of this ever-popular Buffalo nickel variety. The usually seen grade is VF. It may be a long time until we have another gem Mint State coin. An opportunity! 17,500

1937-D 3-Legged Buffalo Nickel

1937-D 3-Legged "error." MS-62 (NGC). Bril-
liant. Remarkably high grade for this issue. An ex-
cellent meeting ground between high grade and
low, or at least reasonable, price. In the top 5% of
known specimens, quality wise 1,750
1937-D 3 Legged "error." AU-53 (NGC). Lightly toned
1937-S MS-66 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces. 139
1937-S MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant 59
1938-D Buffalo. MS-66 (NGC). Lustrous with light golden surfaces
1938-D Buffalo. MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. A nice
Buffalo nickel for your "type" set
1938-D Buffalo. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant 29
1938-D/S Buffalo. MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant 335
1938-D/S Buffalo. MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant and
beautiful. Fascinating D/S feature bold. A great specimen of this famous coin. When this was first discovered in the early 1960s, QDB verified it and wrote the announcement for the front page of <i>Coin</i>
World 335

Jefferson Nickels

1976-D MS-67 (ANACS). Brilliant. 195 1995-S Proof-69 Deep Cameo (PCGS). 189



HALF DIMES

Capped Bust Half Dimes

1830 Valentine-9. Rarity-3. MS	6-64 (NGC). Light
golden surfaces	1,395
1831 V-7. Logan McCloskey-2.	Rarity-3. MS-62
(NGC) Lightly toned	

1874 Arrows. Proof-63 (PCGS). Wonderful light

1874 Arrows. MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant and lus-

Superb Gem 1875 Dime

1875 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. Marvelous qual-

Low-Mintage 1879 Dime

1879 Proof-66 (NGC). Brilliant. A superb gem Proof

example of this key Liberty Seated dime date.1,995

Superb Gem Proof 1880 Dime

1880 Proof-67 (PCGS). Brilliant centers with lovely

blue and gold highlights. If you can find a better one,

buy it! What a gem! However, to save time, this one

is here, now, and can be purchased for just 4,750

One of the "famous three" low-mintage dates of the

era, these being 1879, 1880, and 1881. 725

1882 MS-65 (PCGS). Lustrous golden surfaces with

Gemmy 1883 Dime

1883 MS-66 (PCGS). Wonderful lustrous white sur-

faces. We don't use gemmy very often, but we are

moved to use it now. A beautiful coin! 1,795

Famous 1886-S Rarity

1886-S MS-64 (PCGS). Lustrous with light

champagne surfaces. Wonderful eye appeal. Is-

sued in an era in which there was virtually no

interest in collecting mintmarks. Thus, the sur-

vival of choice Mint State pieces is a matter of

the merest chance. 4,795

1890-S MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant. 1,095

1891 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. 429

1891-S MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant and lustrous.1,195

Barber Dimes

1892 MS-64 (PCGS). Light champagne. 329

Notable Gem Proof 1893 Dime

1893 Proof-67 (PCGS). Mirrored fields with nice frosty devices. Notable quality-as Proof-67 coins

are almost, but not quite, as elusive as hens' teeth.

A beauty to behold! 4,750

faces. Beautiful and, in this state of preservation,

rare. 1,895

Important as an overall low-mintage key date. 739

1894 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant with frosty devices.

1895-O VF-30 (PCGS). Lovely golden sur-

1895-S MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. Mint State ex-

1897 MS-64 (NGC). Light iridescent surfaces. 279

Gem 1899 Dime

1899 Proof-65 (NGC). Light champagne surfaces. A

coin that has it all: high grade, beautiful appearance,

and, in our opinion, a very reasonable price 1,750

1899 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. 695

Choice 1899-S Dime

1899-S MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant centers with

splashes of amber peripheral toning. An exceptional

1899-S MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant and lustrous with a

Gem Proof 1901 Barber Dime

1901 Proof-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. An exceptional

specimen of this year. All Barber dime Proofs of the

first decade of the 20th century have low mintages.

Very few exist combining the high numerical grade

and the quality of the piece we now offer. . 1,950

1902 MS-64 (PCGS). Lustrous light champagne sur-

1903 Proof-62 (PCGS). Light amber surfaces with

1903-S EF-40. A pleasing example of this scarce San

Gem 1905-O Dime Rarity

1905-O MS-65 (NGC). Lovely golden surfaces. Rare

Beautiful Gem Proof 1907 Dime

1907 Proof-65 (PCGS). Mirrored fields with frosty

devices. Low mintage, low price, high quality, high

degree of eye appeal. Go for it! Seriously, quality

such as this is so hard to find that if you have been

looking for a very special 1907 dime, please call us

Gem Proof 1908 Dime

1908 Proof-65 (PCGS). Champagne surfaces with

Flashy Gem 1908 Dime

light amber peripheral toning. 1,750

so fine. 1,680

Francisco Mint dime. 750

some mint frost on the devices. Lots of value, in our

whisper of light golden peripheral toning. 695

amples are seldom offered. 1,025

1893 Proof-65 (PCGS). Light champagne sur-

1880 Proof-64 (PCGS). Light champagne surfaces.

trous. 950

1832 V-1, LM-3. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous
1832 V-1, LM-3. AU-58 (NGC). Light golden surfaces
1832 V-8. MS-62 (NGC). Brilliant
1833 V-1, LM-10. MS-64 (PCGS). Warmly toned in medium gold. Well struck from lightly clashed dies. An ideal selection for a type set or a date collection. 1,295 1834 V-1. MS-64 (PCGS). Light champagne surfaces. 1,295
1835 Large Date, Large 5. V-3. Rarity-1. MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant and lustrous
Liberty Scated Half Dings

Liberty Seated Half Dimes

Frosty Mint State 1837 Half Dime 1837 Liberty Seated. No Stars, Small Date. MS-64 (PCGS). Fully brilliant with frosty mint lustre. From a late die state with extensive die crumbling along the right side of Miss Liberty's forearm and leg. Interesting die characteristics that are very lightly mentioned in the literature. 1,650

"Nice" 1837 Liberty Seated Half Dime 1837 Liberty Seated. No Stars, Large Date. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. A nice specimen in each and every way—a little cameo! 1,650 1838 No Drapery. MS-61 (PCGS). Brilliant.... 315 1838 No Drapery. AU-58. Lightly toned. 219

Unusual Quality 1840 Half Dime 1840 With Drapery. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. Quite unusual so fine! A lovely half dime that you will really enjoy owning. Wait until you see

Marvelous Gem 1843 Half Dime 1843 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant and beautiful. 1,495

Gem Mint State 1845 Half Dime 1845 MS-65 (PCGS). Lovely iridescent ton-1853 Arrows. MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. 299 1858 MS-65 (PCGS). Lustrous with golden toning. A beautiful example of this date. 1,195 1858 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant and lustrous. 525

Lovely Proof 1859 Half Dime

1859 Proof-64 (NGC). Brilliant. Important as the only year of a distinctive sub-type; Miss Liberty has slightly thinner arms and there are other slight differences—characteristic only of Philadelphia Mint half dimes of 1859. 1,695 1862 MS-63 (NGC). Deep iridescent surfaces. 139 1866 MS-62 (PCGS). Lustrous gold and green surfaces. A major rarity in Mint State, far more elusive than a Proof (and Proofs are rare). 1,095

Gem Proof 1867 Half Dime

1867 Proof-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. The 1867 is one of the key dates of the series—with a low mintage in both the Proof and circulation strike categories. Year after year, generation after generation, this has 1867 Proof-64 (PCGS). Attractive toning. A delightful half dime, one that is rare in all grades. 835 1867 AU-50 (PCGS). Lovely rose and gold surfaces. Rare in circulation strike form. 875 1868 AU-50 (ANACS). Brilliant. A scarce date in all 1870 MS-64 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces..... 425 1871 MS-61 (PCGS). Lustrous with light amber sur-1873 Proof-64 Cameo. (NGC). Lovely surfaces with light amber peripheral toning. 695



DIMES

Draped Bust Dimes

1796 John Reich-2. Rarity-4. EF-40 (PCGS). A nice example with pleasing toning. Ideal for a first year of issue type set. A truly memorable specimen. 5,950

Capped Bust Dimes

1837 Liberty Seated. B-3216. No Stars, Large 1837 Liberty Seated. B-3216. No Stars, Large Date. AU-50 (ANACS). Lightly toned. 795 type; the only New Orleans Mint issue of the with-1838 Large Stars. MS-64 (PCGS). Lightly toned. 1838 Large Stars. Breen-3220. MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant. A nice coin for a type set...... 525 1853 Arrows. MS-64 (NGC). Lightly toned. Ideal 1853 Arrows. MS-63 (PCGS). Lightly toned. 675 1854 Arrows. AU-53 (ANACS). Light toning. 159

Superb Gem 1858 Dime

Choice Proof 1874 Arrows 10¢

1874 Arrows. Proof-64 (PCGS). Satiny surfaces with light iridescent toning. A lovely and quite rare coin. Ideal for inclusion in a type set. 1,895

The following was sent in by Tom Howard:

Re Beth Eastman, et al. Input on "Our Wonderful Language" (CC issue #91), here are a few more I came up with:

With a raft of chores to do, I can't take the raft out on the river today.

Let's have the buffet indoors so the wind won't buffet our guests.

Having a rash of rashes all over her body caused her to make increasingly rash decisions.

The Chief Coiner was no good at coining phrases. His neighbor, a bricklayer, was no good at quoining phrases, either.

He fabricated the story that he fabricated dog houses for a living.

Marsha made light of John having to light only one light every night; it shed light on just how light was his night job.

It's a big deal to deal cards in a championship game; can you deal with that much pressure, or shall I deal you out?

Mark my words; that dark red mark does not mark the spot where the marked man was actually murdered!

The string manufacturer quit stringing along his employees about pay raises—after they threatened to string him up.

How you can beat that cake mix without missing a beat, beats me.

Ad infinitum? Enjoy? Am looking forward to Dan Owens' new book on California coins... (your ad in Numismatic News) and a 32-S Washington quarter which Gail is shipping down here.

Best wishes,

Tom Howard

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Pleasing 1796 Dime

1821 JR-9. Rarity-2. Small Date AU-50 (PCGS).715 1827 JR-1a. Rarity-2. Recut 7. AU-53. A lustrous pearl gray specimen with attractive rose and pale blue iridescence present on both sides. 649 1828 JR-1. Small Date. AU-53 (PCGS). Nicely toned in iridescent colors. 675 1830 JR-2. Small 10C. MS-63 (NGC). Chiefly brilliant with a splash of light gold toning. Lustrous, sharply struck, and choice for the grade. 1,295 1831 JR-3. AU-58 (NGC). Light champagne sur-1831 JR-4. Rarity-2. MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant. 719 1833 JR-5. Last 3 high. MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant with faint peripheral gold toning. 825 1835 JR-5. AU-50. Deep golden brown toning.345 1835 JR-9. Rarity-2. MS-62 (NGC). Mostly brilliant with light gold peripheral toning. The reflective fields contrast nicely with the frosty devices, particularly on the reverse. 775 1836 JR-1. Rarity-3. MS-62 (NGC). Brilliant and satiny with a hint of prooflike lustre. 795 1837 Capped Bust. JR-3. Rarity-2. AU-58 (NGC). Last year of the Capped Bust design. Sharply struck and brilliant. 560

Liberty Seated Dimes

Date. AU-55 (PCGS). Mostly white with a hint of light amber peripheral toning. A nice combination of fairly high grade with fairly low price. A lot of 1838-O Liberty Seated. Greer-102. No Stars. EF-45 (NGC). Nicely toned. Scarce and interesting

1858 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. Not rare as a date, but certainly rare in this superb gem grade! 3,640 1873-S Arrows. MS-61 (NGC). Lustrous with splashes of gold. Very scarce in Mint State, yet it can be yours for only 925

"Our Wonderful Language" Continued

Rejected by his girlfriend, he moped all the way home on his moped.

Don't strut too far out on that strut; it might give way!

1908 MS-66 (PCGS). Flashy! Eye-catching! Awe-

1908-S MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant and very sharply detailed. 795

Superb Gem Proof 1909 Dime

1909 Proof-66 (PCGS). Frosty with light champagne surfaces. A truly great coin! 2,650 1909-D MS-62 (NGC). Brilliant and sharply Exceptional 1910-D Dime

1910-D MS-66 (PCGS). Nicely struck with brilliant lustrous surfaces. One of only three graded MS-66 with only one grading higher at MS-67. A truly exceptional coin-one for the record books! A connoisseur's delight. 2,750

Gem Proof 1911 Dime

1911 Proof-65 (NGC). Brilliant center with rings of gold, blue, and sea-green toning. Seldom seen so beautiful! When this coin arrives in your mailbox you will realize how important the Bowers and 1911 MS-65 (NGC). Light champagne surfaces. 629

Superb Gem 1911-S Dime

1911-S MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. Very hard to fir	nd
in such elegant preservation! 1,49	95
1912 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant	29
1913 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant 27	79
1914 MS-65 (PCGS). Light champagne surfaces.62	
1915 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant	
1915-S MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant 47	75
1916-S MS-62 (NGC). Brilliant	

Mercury Dimes

Sharp and Rare 1916-D Dime 1916-D EF-45 (NGC). Lightly toned. A very nice specimen of this key date. 3,250 1916-S Barber MS-64 (NGC). Light golden sur-1918-D MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. Extraordinarily 1921 AU-50 (NGC). A very pleasing example of this highly prized date. Much original mint lustre still survives. Perhaps this little rarity was plucked from circulation in, say, 1925. 795 1921-D AU-50 (NGC). Brilliant. A very appealing specimen of this key date issue. 895 1923 MS-66 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 525 1924-D MS-65 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 1.470

Notable 1924-S Dime 1924-S MS-63 FB (NGC). Brilliant. A truly notable specimen in this combination of high grade and sharpness, a beautiful specimen! 2,150 1925-S MS-64 FB (NGC). Pedigreed to the Pittman sale. Nicely toned in light rainbow colors. . 1,095 1926 MS-64 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 165 1927 MS-66 FB (NGC). Brilliant. Marvelously high 1929 MS-66 FB (PCGS) Brilliant. 349 1929 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. 165 1929 MS-65 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 245 1929-S MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant surfaces with close 1931 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. 378 1931-D MS-66 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. Popular lowmintage issue...... 595 1931-S MS-64 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. Low mint-1935 MS-67 (NGC). Brilliant. 69

Superb Gem Proof 1936 Dime 1936 Proof-66 (PCGS). A wonderful example with great eye appeal. First Proof issue in the Mercury dime series, and the rarest of all Proofs. 2,295 1936 Proof-65 (PCGS). Brilliant, beautiful, and 1936-D MS-66 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 465 1936-S MS-67 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. Bound to be a highlight in your collection of later date Mercury 1937 Proof-64 (PCGS). Mostly brilliant with a whisper of golden toning. 325 1937 MS-67 (NGC). Brilliant. 59 1937-D MS-65 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 119 1937-S MS-66 FB (PCGS). Very lustrous lustre (OK, 1938-D MS-67 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 275 1938-D MS-66 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 99 1939 MS-67 FB (PCGS). Mostly brilliant with a whisper of light yellow toning. 495 1939-D MS-67 FB (PCGS). Brilliant, sharply struck, and very nice! We have added many Mercury dimes to our inventory—and in this listing you can choose 1940 Proof-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. 199 1940 MS-66 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 79 1940-S MS-67 (NGC). Brilliant. 110

1940-S MS-65 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 119

1941-D MS-65 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 39 1941-S MS-67 (PCGS). Brilliant. 109 1942/1 VF-20 (PCGS). A nice specimen of this scarce 1942 MS-67 (NGC). Brilliant. 59 1942-D MS-65 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 39 1942-S MS-67 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 895 1943 MS-67 (NGC). Brilliant. 55 1943 MS-66 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 75 1943-D MS-65 FB (PCGS). Brilliant 39 1943-S MS-67 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 379 1943-S MS-66 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 99 1943-S MS-65 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 49 1944 MS-66 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 159 1944 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. We recently bought a group of PCGS beauties! Buy one for 49 1944-D MS-65 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 27 1944-S MS-66 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 85 1944-S MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. 39 1944-S MS-65 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 42 1945 MS-67 (NGC). Light iridescent surfaces. .. 55 1945 MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant. 39 1945-D MS-66 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 69 1945-D MS-65 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 49 1945-S MS-67 FB (PCGS). A wonderful example with none graded higher by PCGS 849 1945-S MS-65 FB (PCGS). Brilliant. 49 1945-S Micro S. MS-66 (PCGS). Lovely golden and

Roosevelt Dimes

1954 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant	29
1959-D MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant	
1961-D MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant	29
1962 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant	29
1962-D MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant	



TWENTY-CENT PIECES

Attractive 1875-CC Twenty Cents

1875-CC MS-64 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces. Perennially popular Carson City issue—the only readily collectible twenty-cent piece from this mint (the 1876-CC being for all practical purposes un-1875-S MS-61 (PCGS). Attractive iridescent toning. A nice coin for a type set...... 525 1876 AU-53 (PCGS). Brilliant with light rose periph-

Proof 1878 Rarity

1878 Proof-64 (NGC). Brilliant with outstanding cameo devices. A key issue in the series, a Proofonly rarity. Not often do we have such a nice specimen for sale (or even any specimen!). A lovely coin for the discriminating buyer. 4,995



QUARTER DOLLARS

Early Quarter Dollars

1815 Browning-1. EF-45 (PCGS). Brilliant 795
1818 B-4. Rarity-2. VF-25
1822 B-1. EF-40 (PCGS). Light rose centers with sea
green peripheral toning
1825/3 B-2. Rarity-2 AU-50 (PCGS). Nearly full
brilliant lustre with a whisper of champagne ton-
ing 1,095
1825/3 B-2. EF-40 (NGC). Deeply toned 675

Lovely 1828 B-1 Quarter 1828 B-1. Rarity-2. AU-53 (PCGS). A lustrous silver gray specimen, mostly prooflike, with attractive golden iridescence on the high points. Rare so 1831 B-4. AU-58 (NGC). First of the new design without E PLURIBUS UNUM and of reduced diameter; thus, a great candidate for a 1835 B-2. Rarity-2. AU-53 (PCGS). Sharp and bril-1836 B-2. Rarity-3+. AU-50 (PCGS). 625 1837 B-2. AU-55 (PCGS). Light amber. 650

Coin Quiz

Numismatic Geography Revisited

In Coin Collector #93 the quiz based on "Numismatic Geography" was guest written by John Kraljevich. We liked it so much that we asked him to continue it for this issue. Here are more questions to test your knowledge of the "wheres" of numismatics.

- 1. Crocker Bros. And Co., the firm that supplied the U.S. Mint with its planchets for cents and half cents for much of the mid 19th-century, mailed its kegs from what address?
 - a. Staunton, Virginia
 - b. Adrian, Michigan
 - c. Taunton, Massachusetts
 - d. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- 2. American sculptor Trygve Rovelstad lived in the town celebrated on the commemorative half dollar he designed. Where was his home and studio?
 - a. Bridgeport, Connecticut
 - b. Norfolk, Virginia
 - c. Albany, New York
 - d. Elgin, Illinois

- 3. If you wanted to view George H. Clapp's large cent collection at the Carnegie Institute, what city would you have to visit?
 - a. Colorado Springs, Colorado
 - b. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
 - c. Detroit, Michigan
 - d. New York, New York
- 4. W. Eliot Woodward, one of the best known coin dealers and auctioneers of the 19th century, issued scrip advertising his apothecary in what town?
 - a. Roxbury, Massachusetts
 - b. Forty Fort, Pennsylvania
- c. New Haven, Connecticut
- d. Bowbells, North Dakota
- 5. Crane and Co. produces the paper upon

which all United States currency is printed in what bucolic location?

- a. Pomeroy, Iowa
- b. Charlottesville, Virginia
- c. Enterprise, Oregon
- d. Dalton, Massachusetts

BONUS: In 1854, the United States opened an Assay Office in this city. For many years it processed tremendous amounts of gold bullion. Years later, part of the facade was used in the construction of one of America's most famous museums.

- a. San Francisco, California
- b. Manchester, New Hampshire
- c. New York, New York
- d. Fort Knox, Kentucky

Answers: 1-c, 2-d, 3-b, 4-a, 5-d, Bonus-c.

Great 1838 Quarter Dollar

1838 Capped Bust. B-1. MS-64 (NGC). Great eye appeal. Brilliant surfaces with a whisper of light gold at the rim. A truly great coin-and, at this grade, a rarity 4,950

Liberty Seated Quarters

Lovely 1843-O Quarter

1843-O Small O. AU-58 (NGC). Frosty devices 1853 Arrows and Rays. AU-58 (PCGS). Golden surfaces. 695 1854 Arrows. MS-63 (PCGS). Highly lustrous with rich golden red toning at the rims. A nice coin for 1857 MS-62 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces..... 415

Irresistible Gem Proof 1859 Quarter

1859 Proof-65 (PCGS). Golden surfaces with lots of frost on Miss Liberty. A coin of irresistible (we hope!) quality—just purchased. We have seen perhaps a couple hundred 1859 Proof quarters in our time, but few can hold a candle to this gem! Compelling! Magnetic! 4,995 1862 Proof-55 (PCGS). Mirrored fields with frosty 1867 VF-20 (NGC). One of the key Liberty Seated 1873 Arrows. MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant centers with light golden peripheral toning. 895

Important Proof 1874 Quarter

1874 Arrows. Proof-63 (PCGS). Brilliant and frosty. Very elusive regarding the small number in existence vs. the great demand for such coins for type set 1874 Arrows. AU-58 (PCGS). Prooflike surfaces with a hint of light gray toning. 695 1877-CC MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant centers give way

Curious 1877-S Over Horizontal S 25¢

1877-S/S MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. A splendid specimens of one of the most interesting silver coins of this era—a variety which at this level is very hard to find. 3,195

Magnificent Gem 1879 Quarter 1879 MS-66 (PCGS). Great eye appeal with wonder-

ful contrast between Miss Liberty and fields. Low 1890 MS-62 (PCGS). Light amber surfaces. 519

Barber Quarters

1892 MS-65 (PCGS). First year of the Barber design.
Lustrous with gold and amber toning 1,350
1892 AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant 179
1892 AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant with attractive irides-
cent peripheral toning 179
1892 AU-50 125
1892-O Type I Reverse. MS-60. Lustrous light cham-
pagne surfaces. A lovely quarter from way down
yonder in New Orleans
1892-S AU-53 (PCGS). Lightly toned 349
1892-S Type I Reverse. AU-50 285
1893-O MS-64 (PCGS). Lustrous light champagne
surfaces 795
surfaces
1894-O Doubled Mintmark. AU-55. Brilliant and
lustrous 259
1894-S MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant 825
1896 AU-58. Attractive golden surfaces 185

1896-O AU-50. Brilliant and lustrous. Scarce. 695

Superb Gem 1899 Quarter

1899 Proof-67 (PCGS). Frosty centers highlighted by lovely iridescent toning...... 5,250 1899-O MS-62 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces. 575

Choice Mint State 1900-S 25¢

1900-S MS-63 (PCGS). Highly lustrous and choice for the grade. Pale golden halos enhance the periph-

Key 1901-S Quarter

1901-S VG-8. The key to the Barber quarter series, in any and all circulated grades the 1901-S is the most difficult to find. With the purchase of this coin you can complete your set! 4,150

Memorable Gem Proof 1903 Quarter 1903 Proof-67 (PCGS). Frosty centers with lovely

amber and sea green peripheral toning. 5,250 1903-S MS-62 (NGC). Brilliant centers with lilac toning surrounding Miss Liberty. 665

Exceptional Proof 1905 Quarter

1905 Proof-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. A magnificent superb gem Proof. One of the finest surviving from a low Proof mintage for this year. 2,650

Delightful 1905-S Quarter

1905-S MS-64 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces. A
delightful, high quality specimen of a San Francisco
Mint quarter dollar that is very hard to find at this
level
1906-D AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant. First year of Den-
ver Mint operations
1907 MS-65 (NGC). Lovely with light golden sur-
faces
1907 MS-65 (PCGS). Light champagne surfaces.
Beautiful!!!
1907 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. Very nice 595
1908 MS-64 (PCGS). Lustrous with light champagne
surfaces 585
1908-D AU-50. Lightly toned
1909 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant 595
1909-D AU-58. Lightly toned
1909-D AU-55. Lightly toned
1909-D AU-53
1909-D AU-50. Brilliant 115
Marvelous Proof 1910 Quarter

Marvelous Proof 1910 Quarter
1910 Proof-66 (NGC). Golden surfaces. Superb gen
quality—a marvelous coin, and rare, too! 2,650
1910-D AU-58. Deeply toned 295
1914 MS-64 (PCGS). Lustrous champagne sur
faces 595
1915 MS-64 (PCGS). Lovely golden surfaces. No
easy to find in this grade 575
1915-D MS-65 (PCGS). Lustrous with light ton-
ing 1,295
1915-S MS-64 (PCGS). Golden surfaces 925
1915-S AU-50. Brilliant 195

1916-D Barber. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant and beau-1916-D Barber. MS-64 (PCGS). Light champagne surfaces. 535

Another Gem 1916-D Barber Quarter

Standing Liberty Quarters

Pleasing 1917 Type I 25¢ 1917 Type I. MS-65 FH (PCGS). A very pleasing example of this issue. 1917-D Type I. MS-64 FH (PCGS). Brilliant. 850

1917-S Type II. MS-65 (PCGS). Light champagne surfaces. 1,250 1917-S Type II. MS-64 (NGC). Light golden sur-

Brilliant AU 1918/7-S 25¢ Rarity

1918/7-S AU-55 (NGC). Brilliant and lustrous surfaces with light toning around the rims. Overdate boldly defined. A magnificent specimen of this famous and very elusive variety. If you've been seeking a high-grade specimen of this classic issue, your search ends here. 9,850

Affordable 1918/7-S Rarity

1918/7-S F-12 (ANACS). A nice original example of

Gem 1918-D Quarter

1918-D MS-65 (PCGS). Fully brilliant with

Connoisseur's 1919 Quarter Dollar

1919 MS-65 FH (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous. One for the connoisseur. You'll love it! 1,595 1919-D EF-40 (NGC). Light golden surfaces. . 329

Gem 1921 Quarter

1921 MS-65 (ANACS). Mostly brilliant with a whisper of amber peripheral toning. Beautiful and rare. A prize for the specialist 1,475 **1923 MS-65** (PCGS). Deep golden toning. 650 **1923 MS-65** (PCGS). Golden surfaces. 650 1923 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant with a hint of golden

Important 1923-S Quarter

1923-S MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. A beautiful specimen of this key issue, one of the most important rarities in the 1916-1930 Standing Liberty quarter 1924-D MS-64 (NGC). Lustrous with splashes of

Lustrous 1927-S Standing Liberty Quarter

1927-S AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant. The 1927-S in high grades has been a landmark issue ever since Standing Liberty quarters became a popular numismatic specialty (beginning in a significant way in the 1930s and the distribution of Wayte Raymond's "National" albums). Very few Mint State coins were saved at the time of issue, and at the AU level few have ever been located. 3,750 1928 MS-66 (PCGS). Flashy lustre with 60% full 1928-S MS-66 (PCGS). Lightly toned. 775 with a 90% full head. Back in 1971, in his Scott's Encyclopedia, Don Taxay wrote that full head ex-

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amples of this issue were extreme rarities. This

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Catalogue of the Year

The "Catalogue of the Year Award" given by the Numismatic Literary Guild was awarded to Bowers and Merena Galleries at the ANA Convention this past August. Shown at the left is Chris Karstedt of Bowers and Merena, at the center is Dave Bowers holding the award, and at the right, Tom DeLorey, the presenter. (Photograph by John Wilson)

specimen, quite close to full head status, is certa	inly
quite scarce—at the very least!	595

Washington Quarters

1932-D MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant. At least several times scarcer than a 1932-S in this grade. 975 1932-D AU-55 (NGC). Light champagne sur-1932-S MS-60 (ANACS). Mostly brilliant. 335

Incredible Proof 1936 Quarter

1936 Proof-67 (PCGS). Flashy brilliance. The lowest-mintage issue of all Proof Washington quarters—a superb gem specimen that will be the highlight of any advanced collection. Few equal pieces exist anywhere! 11,950 1937 Proof-65 (PCGS). Light champagne sur-1939 Proof-65 (PCGS) Light champagne. 161 1939 MS-67 (NGC). Light yellow surfaces. 195 1939 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. 95 1939-D MS-66 (PCGS). Lightly toned. 169 1940 Proof-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. 185 1940 Proof-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. 145 1940 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. 99 1940 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. 69 1942 MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant. 59 1944 MS-66 (NGC). Lovely light iridescent sur-1946-S MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant. 69 1947 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant centers with light amber peripheral toning...... 1947-S MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant. 69 1948-S MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant. 69 1948-S MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant centers with light amber peripheral toning. 69 1950 Proof-65. Brilliant. 55 1950-S MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant. 69 1988-S Proof-69 Deep Cameo (PCGS).............. 29 1998-S Silver. Proof-68 Deep Cameo (PCGS). . 30



HALF DOLLARS

Flowing Hair Half Dollars

Lovely 1794 Half Dollar 1794 Overton-101a. VF-30 (NGC). An attractive specimen of the first year of the denomination and one of only two years with the Flowing Hair design. A perennial numismatic favorite...... 10,950

Scarce	1795	O-105A	HalfD	allar

1795 O-105a. VF-30 (NGC). Light gray toning. A very pleasing specimen of the date, variety, and grade. 2,495

Attractive 1795 O-105 Half Dollar 1795 O-105. Rarity-4. F-15 (NGC). Nicely toned in gold and rose. 1,695

Pleasing 1795 O-110 Half Dollar

1795 O-110. VF-30 (NGC). Medium gray toning at the borders and lighter on the devices. Pleasing to the eye-a really high quality piece at the

Attractive VF 1795 O-119 50¢

1795 O-119. VF-20 (NGC). Medium gray toning with a hint of heather or lilac. A lovely 1795 half dollar that will answer the call for nice type set

Nice VF-25 1795 O-122 50¢

1795 O-122. VF-25 (NGC). Medium gray and lilac toning. A very pleasing example. 2,250 1795 O-124. VG-8 (NGC). Pewter surfaces with nice eye appeal. 795

Draped Bust Half Dollars

1805 O-109. EF-45 (NGC). Attractive light rose 1805 O-111. VF-25 (NGC). Light gold surfaces. 419 1805 O-112. F-15 (PCGS). Nicely toned...... 325 1806 O-105a. Knobbed 6, Large Stars. VF-25

Mint State 1806 O-109 Half Dollar

1806 O-109. Pointed 6, No Stem. MS-62 (PCGS). Lustrous gold surfaces. Very nice eye appeal. A great coin for the specialist and type collector alike. Just purchased! 8,995

Lustrous AU 1806 O-109 50¢

1806 O-109. Pointed 6, No Stem. AU-53 (NGC). Oops! The engraver made a mistake and forgot the end of the olive branch stem! The result is that the eagle's talons are grasping thin air! Always popular, but not often seen in this high grade. 2,450

High-Grade 1806 No Stem 50¢ 1806 O-109. Pointed 6, No Stem. AU-50

(PCGS). Famous diecutting error. Lovely iridescent surfaces. 2,150 1806 O-109. Pointed 6, No Stem. EF-40 (NGC). A lovely specimen. 850 1806 O-109a. Pointed 6, No Stem. EF-40 (ANACS). 695 1806 O-111a. Rarity-4. 6 Over Inverted 6. VF-30 (PCGS). Late die state. A scarce variety that is very popular and in demand by Guide Book variety col-

Attractive 1807 Draped Bust Half Dollar 1807 O-102. Draped Bust. Rarity-2. AU-53 (PCGS). Lovely light amber surfaces. 2,295

1806 O-115. F-15. (PCGS). Nicely toned...... 275

Lustrous 1807 Draped Bust 50¢ 1807 O-102. Draped Bust. AU-50 (NGC). Deeply toned. Last year of the Draped Bust series. . 1,995

Beautiful 1807 O-102 Half Dollar

1807 O-102. Draped Bust. AU-50 (PCGS). Attractive deep silver gray with lighter high points and a whisper of bright gold in the recessed areas. An appealing specimen in all respects. 1,995

Lustrous 1807 O-105 Half Dollar 1807 O-105. Draped Bust. AU-53 (PCGS). Lustrous with light gold and rose surfaces 2,450
Capped Bust, Lettered Edge Half Dollars
1810 O-101. EF-40. Nicely toned
1810 O-103. AU-50 (NGC) 459
1812 O-104. AU-58 (PCGS). Lovely light iridescent
surfaces 575
surfaces
1817/3 F-12 (NGC). Nicely toned
1819/8 O-106 Rarity-4. VF-20. Nice eye appeal.125
1820/19 O-102. Curl 2. AU-53 (NGC). Lustrous.
Half dollars dated 1820 are the scarcest of their era,
except for 1815/2 875
1823 O-105. AU-50. Light iridescent surfaces. 299
1826 O-114. Rarity-4. VF-25. Gold and gray sur-
faces
1824 O-108. MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant 850
1826 O-109. AU-55 (ANACS). Brilliant 295
1827 O-108a. Rarity-4. F-12. Lightly toned 99
1827 O-112a. Rarity-4. F-15. Nice eye appeal. 139
1827 O-132. Rarity-3. EF-45. Mostly brilliant with
a hint of gold at the rims
1827 O-138. Rarity-4. EF-45. Golden surfaces with
blue peripheral toning
1829 O-104a. Rarity-4. F-12. Iridescent surfaces.99
1830 O-102. AU-55 (PCGS). Lovely 295

1807 O-103. Draped Bust. Rarity-3. EF-40

1831 O-102. Rarity-7. AU-50 (ANACS). Light 1834 O-103. Large Date, Large Letters. AU-58 (PCGS). Light champagne surfaces. 319 1834 O-103. Large Date, Large Letters. AU-55 (PCGS). Mostly brilliant with a whisper of gold ton-1834 O-109. Small Date, Small Letters. AU-55

(PCGS). Light golden surfaces. 295 1835 O-109, Rarity-2. EF-45. Attractive rose sur-1835 O-110. Rarity R-2. MS-61 (NGC). Lovely champagne surfaces. 595

Capped Bust, Reeded Edge Half Dollars

Famous 1836 Reeded Edge Half Dollar 1836 Reeded Edge. EF-40 (PCGS). Brilliant. A famous rarity. Coins of the Reeded Edge style were minted beginning in November 1836, and only to the extent of a few thousand pieces (some say the mintage was only 1,200, but it was more likely about 4,000—still a very small figure). Year in and year out this has been the classic Philadelphia Mint half dollar rarity of its era. 2,295 1836 Reeded Edge. F-12 (PCGS). A highly affordable specimen of this rare and exceedingly popular

Mint State 1837 Half Dollar

1837 MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant. Popular as a type coin, as it is one of only two years with the Capped Bust obverse in combination with the denomination on the reverse expressed as 50 CENTS. 2,095 1837 MS-62 (NGC). Light iridescent surfaces. 975 1838 AU-50 (ANACS). Light champagne sur-

Liberty Seated Half Dollars

Key 1839 No Drapery 50¢ 1839 No Drapery. MS-60. Deep rose and blue sur-

> Possibly Unique 1842 Half Dollar Small Date, Small Letters

1842 Small Date Small Letters VF-20 (PCGS). Nice original surfaces. The discovery specimen of this landmark variety—and, as these words are being written, the only specimen known to us. 49,500 1844-O AU-55 (PCGS). Lightly toned. 325

Choice 1855-O Half Dollar

1855-O Arrows MS-64 (NGC). Lustrous with attractive iridescent surfaces. A choice and lovely 1855-S Arrows. F-15 (PCGS). First half dollar issue of the San Francisco Mint, and a well-known rarity. 895

Choice Mint State 1856 Half Dollar 1856 MS-64 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces. 2,195

1858-O AU-55 (PCGS). Light champagne centers with soft amber peripheral toning...... 275

Gem 1869 Half Dollar

1869 MS-65 (NGC). Wonderful satiny surfaces with a halo of light gold at the rims. A wonderful specimen—and, in this preservation, a rarity 5,250 1872 Proof-62 (PCGS). Blast white with frosty de-surfaces. 1,350

1873 Arrows. MS-62 (PCGS). Mostly brilliant with a whisper of light amber toning at the rims. 1,350 1873 Arrows. MS-61 (NGC). Light champagne surfaces. 1,150

Important 1873-CC Half Dollar 1873-CC Arrows, Small Mintmark. AU-55 (NGC). Golden surfaces with mint lustre evident. A very attractive specimen of this rare, important,

Elusive 1873-CC With Arrows 1873-CC Arrows, Small Mintmark. AU-50 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous. First year that half dollars with arrows were struck at Carson City. A key issue in all grades, especially in Mint State. .. 3,850 1873-S Arrows. AU-50. Brilliant. The San Francisco half dollar is significantly scarcer than its Philadelphia counterpart. Ideal for a type set or a specialized 1874 Arrows Proof-62 (PCGS). Brilliant with nice

contrast between Miss Liberty and the fields. 975 1874-CC Arrows. F-15 (PCGS). 825 1875 AU-53 (NGC). Lustrous light gold....... 209

Gem 1876 Half Dollar 1876 MS-65 (NGC). Great eye appeal. A gorgeous geml 3,550 1876 MS-62 (PCGS). Attractive iridescent sur-1877 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant with exceptional lus-

Superb Gem 1877-S Half Dollar 1877-S MS-66 (NGC). An attractive example with beautiful light rainbow surfaces. 4,650

Breathtaking 1880 Gem! 1880 MS-67 (PCGS). Light golden centers encircled with amber and rose toning at the rims. The finest graded by PCGS. Wow! An exciting coin that will thrill you just as it thrills us! Low

Superb Gem 1884 Half Dollar 1884 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant centers with wonderful amber and blue peripheral toning. High grade, low mintage—a landmark! 4,750

faces. 795

Lovely Gem 1891 Half Dollar 1891 MS-65 (NGC). Lustrous light golden surfaces. Very scarce in this high grade, in our experience. 1891 MS-63. Brilliant and beautiful. 850

Barber Half Dollars

Superb Proof 1893 Half Dollar 1893 Proof-67 (PCGS). Deep amber and blue surfaces. One of the very finest specimens in existence. A superb coin fit for a superb collection. 7,995 1893 MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant centers with light golden peripheral toning. 1,050 1896 Proof-63 (NGC). Brilliant. A very nice coinan excellent combination of high grade and, in our 1898 Proof-63 (PCGS). Lustrous with splashes of deep blue and fiery orange toning. 795 1899-O AU-55. Light golden surfaces. 575 1902-O MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant. Very rare in Mint state—on an absolute basis as well as a relative basis. Considering the wide appeal of Barber coins, only one collector in hundreds will ever own an

Uncirculated 1902-O 1,195 1903-O AU-53 (PCGS). Light champagne sur-1905 Proof-63 (PCGS). Light amber surfaces. 750

Lovely Proof 1906 Barber 50¢ 1906 Proof-64 (PCGS). Lovely. A beautiful speci-1908 MS-62 (NGC). Nice lustre with light golden peripheral toning. 575 1910 MS-63 (PCGS). Light iridescent surfaces, 995 1911 AU-55 (PCGS). Brilliant. 395

Important 1911-S Half Dollar

1911-S MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. Very hard to find when you want one! We saw it, liked it, bought it. 1915-D MS-64 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces. An especially pleasing specimen of the last Denver Mint issue in the Barber half dollar series. 1,275 1915-D AU-58 (PCGS). Lustrous with light ton-

Liberty Walking Half Dollars

Gem 1916-S Half Dollar

1916-S MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous. One of the nicest 1916-S half dollars we've ever had in stock. Popular obverse mintmark

Brilliant, Beautiful and Rare 1919 50¢ 1919 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. A lovely specimen of

this highly prized and very elusive Philadelphia Mint date. 3,650

Key 1919 Half Dollar

1919 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant and attractive. A key

Lustrous 1919-S 50¢	1943 MS-67 (PCGS). Brilliant	1958-D MS-64 FBL (PCGS). Brilliant 45	Lovely Mint State 1853 Dollar
1919-S AU-53 (PCGS). A lovely and lustrous coin that will surely please. Rare in all high grades 1,850	1943 MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant	1958-D MS-63 FBL (PCGS). Brilliant	1853 MS-61 (PCGS). Golden and rose surfaces. Very
	1943 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant	1958-D MS-63. Brilliant	elusive in Mint State, as are any and all silver dollars
Elusive 1919-S Half Dollar	1943 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant	1959 MS-65 FBL (PCGS). Brilliant	of this era. Most were melted or exported. 3,195 1859-O MS-60. Light champagne surfaces 995
1919-S AU-50 (PCGS): Light champagne 1,695	1943 MS-63. Brilliant	1959 MS-65. Brilliant	
1919-S EF-40 (ANACS). A very desirable example of this hard-to-find San Francisco issue 875	1943 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant	1959 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant centers with light gold	Rare Proof 1862 Dollar
of the fall of the oan Flancisco issue 6/3	1943 MS-60. Brilliant. 29 1943-D MS-66. Brilliant. 189	peripheral toning	1862 Proof-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. A doubly rare coin—rare as a Proof and equally rare in any form as
Gem 1920 Half Dollar	1943-D MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant	1959 MS-65 (PCGS). Lightly toned	a date. Lots of value here, in our opinion. Rarity
1920 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. Much rarer in gem	1943-S MS-66 (NGC). Wow! 799	1959 MS-64 FBL (PCGS). Brilliant	never goes out of style!
condition than generally believed. One of many really outstanding Liberty Walking half dollars listed	1943-S MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant 799	1959 MS-63. Brilliant	
here. If quality is your forte, you've come to the right	1943-S MS-65 (PCGS). Lustrous with golden sur-	1959-D MS-65 FBL (PCGS). Brilliant 275	Choice Proof 1870 Dollar
place!	faces	1959-D MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant	1870 Proof-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. A lovely specimen, and quite rare as such
1934 MS-65. Brilliant	1943-S MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant	1959-D MS-64 FBL (PCGS), Brilliant,	
1934 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant 369	1944 MS-65 (PCGS). Light champagne surfaces. 99 1944 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant	1959-D MS-63 FBL (PCGS). Brilliant	Choice Proof 1871 Dollar
1934-D MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant 425	1944 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant	1960 Proof-68 (PCGS). Brilliant	1871 Proof-63 (PCGS). Lightly toned 2,495
1934-S Gem!	1944-D MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant	1960 Proof-65 (PCGS). Brilliant 89	Proof 1871 Liberty Seated \$1
1934-S MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous. One	1944-S MS-65 . Brilliant 495	1960 MS-65 FBL (PCGS). Brilliant 395	1871 Proof-61 (PCGS). Lustrous gold surfaces. Very
of the nicest in existence anywhere! 3,495	1945 MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant	1960 MS-65. Brilliant	scarce
1935 MS-65 (PCGS). Golden surfaces 329	1945 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant	1960 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant	Mint State 1872 \$1
Gem 1935-S Half Dollar	1945 MS-63. Brilliant	1960 MS-64 FBL (PCGS). Brilliant	1872 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. Very hard to find,
1935-S MS-65 (PCGS). Lustrous surfaces with a hint	1945 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant	1960-D MS-64 FBL (PCGS). Brilliant	especially in relation to the tremendous demand for
of light gold on the rims	1945 MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant 31	1960-D MS-63 FBL (PCGS). Brilliant 65	coins of this quality
Superb Gem Proof 1936 Half Dollar	1945-D MS-66 (PCGS). Light champagne sur-	1960-D MS-63. Brilliant	Margan Cilian Dollars
1936 Proof-66 (PCGS). Golden centers with fiery	faces	1961 Proof-67 (PCGS). Brilliant	Morgan Silver Dollars
orange peripheral toning. First year of the Proof	1945-D MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant	1961 Proof-66 Cameo (PCGS), Brilliant 43	1878 8 Tailfeathers. MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant. Ideal
Liberty Walking series, and the rarest. A wonderful	1945-S MS-65. Brilliant	1961 Proof-65 (PCGS). Brilliant	for a type set
gem! 4,995	1945-S MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant	1961 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant	1878 7 Tailfeathers, Reverse of 1878 (as normally
Memorable Gem Proof 1936 50¢	1946 MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant	1961 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant	seen). MS-64 DMPL (NGC). Brilliant and very rare with deep "dimple," more officially, DMPL,
1936 Proof-65 (NGC). Brilliant with lots of frost on	1946 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant	1961 MS-64 FBL (PCGS). Brilliant 160	surface
the devices giving a cameo effect. Memorable qual-	1946 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant	1961 MS-63. Brilliant	
ity and unquestioned rarity 3,695	1946 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant with a whisper of	1961-D MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant	Gem 1878 7 Tailfeathers \$1
Lovely Gem Proof 1936 Half Dollar	golden toning at the rims	1961-D MS-65 (PCGS), Brilliant	1878 7 Tailfeathers, Reverse of 1879. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant
1936 Proof-65 (PCGS). Lovely rose surfaces. Are all of	1946-D MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant	1961-D MS-65 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces. 450	1878-S MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant centers with beau-
the nicest coins in America in the Bowers and Merena	1946-D MS-65. Brilliant	1961-D MS-64 FBL (PCGS). Brilliant	tiful golden peripheral toning
Galleries inventory? One might think so when read-	1946-D MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant 99	1961-D MS-64. Brilliant	1878-S MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant 1,095
ing this listing! A lovely coin, a gem	1946-S MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant centers with lovely	1961-D MS-64 (ANACS). Light golden surfaces.28	
1936 MS-66 (NGC). Lightly toned	rose and blue peripheral toning	1961-D MS-64 (ANACS). Brilliant	Lovely 1879 DMPL Morgan \$1 1879 MS-64 DMPL (PCGS). Brilliant with mirror
1936 MS-66 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces with a	1946-S MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant	1961-D MS-64 (NGC). Lightly toned	surfaces. A beauty!
whisper of baby blue at the rims	1947 MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant	1961-D MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant	3414c3.11 beauty
1936 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant	1947 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant	1961-D MS-63. Brilliant	Gem 1879-O Dollar
1936-D MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant	1947 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant 55	1961-D MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant	1879-O MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant. A lovely gem—far
1936-D MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant	1947-D MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant 529	1962 Proof-68 (NGC). Brilliant	finer than usually seen
1936-D MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant	1947-D MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant 99	1962 Proof-67 (PCGS). Brilliant	liant
1936-S MS-66 (NGC) Brilliant. An exceptionally	1947-D Ms-63. Brilliant	1962 Proof-66 Cameo (PCGS). Brilliant 39	1879-S MS-67 (NGC). Brilliant
nice specimen—quite elusive so nice! 1,245	1947-D MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. We have purchased a little hoard of choice, lustrous specimens, each	1962 Proof-66 (PCGS). Brilliant	1879-S MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant 249
1937 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant	graded by PCGS. Buy one for	1962 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant	1879-S MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant
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1940 MS-66 (NGC). Lustrous with light champagne	1951-S MS-65. Brilliant	1963 MS-63. Brilliant	1879-S MS-62 (PCGS)
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per of light gold toning	1958 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant 65	colors. Not often encountered in full Mint State.	Superb Gem Proof 1881 Dollar 1881 Proof-67 (PCGS). Lustrous and deeply toned
	1958 MS-65 (PCGS). Deeply toned	Here is one	in wonderful rainbow colors
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1856-S Double Eagles from the S.S. Central America

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The typical itinerary for such gold was by sidewheel steamer from San Francisco, south in the Pacific Ocean to Panama, at which point the treasure was transferred to the 47mile-long Panama Railroad for its journey across the Isthmus. On the Atlantic side of the Isthmus, a connection was made with another steamer at the newly built town of Aspinwall (later named Colon) for transport to New York City or another port.

This is the story of one of the Atlanticside steamers, at first known as the S.S. George Law, then as the S.S. Central America, and her 44th voyage, her crew and passengers, and an estimated \$1,600,000 (1857 value) of gold coins and ingots listed on the manifest, plus additional treasure in the hands of her passengers.

Fast forward to 1986, and a group of daring modern-day adventurers organized in Columbus, Ohio, as the Columbus-America Discovery Group (C-ADG), who mounted an academic study combined with a search at sea, and located the long-lost "ship of gold" (as it has been characterized in modern accounts). For Tommy Thompson, Robert Evans, and Barry Schatz, founders of C-ADG, the saga was just beginning—and would be played out in a set of fascinating circumstances culminating in 2000 with the first sale of gold coins and bars from the ship, by which time Dwight Manley and his California Gold Marketing Group had been given a supporting role.

The Book

The present book draws upon contemporary documents, references, and accounts, plus later books, plus the author's numismatic research, to present to the reader a history of the Gold Rush and the S.S. Central America with especial focus on numismatic considerations—the stories behind the glittering double eagles and the golden bars and ingots.

Gambling halls, or gambling hells as a few writers called them, were where the coins were. J.D. Borthwick, an English writer, commented on the situation in San Francisco as it existed in 1851:

Coin was very scarce [in the mining camps], what there was being nearly all absorbed by the gamblers, who required it for convenience in carrying on their business. Ordinary payments were made in gold dust, every store being provided with a pair of gold scales on which the miner weighed out sufficient dust from his buckskin purse to

pay for his purchases. In general, trading, gold dust was taken at \$16 dollars the ounce; but in the towns and villages, at the agencies of the various San Francisco bankers and express companies, it was bought at a higher price, according to the quality of the dust, and as it was more or less in demand for remittance to New York....

Another account, this one of Sacramento, suggests that while coins might have been scarce in hotels or mercantile establishments, they could be found at gaming tables, in this instance a 50-foot affair known as the Round Tent, a major attraction in that city:

Coin was at that time too scarce to be used as a betting currency by both parties at a game, and consequently, gold dust, in bags, became the pledge of chance. Those who indulged in betting deposited their bags of gold with the players, and drew from the gamesters the amount of coin necessary to play with convenience as a sort of loan-a loan which seldom failed to work the speedy ruin of the parties negotiating the favor.

Thus, in the present text there are many descriptions and accounts involving gambling places—from tents to glittering palaces—and other places where cards were turned in games of monte and faro, and roulette wheels spun—for those are the accounts that tell of \$5 half eagles in little piles and heavy \$50 "slugs." Were I to relate an equal number of stories about churches and libraries—of which there were many in California in the Gold Rush era—I am afraid that scarcely a coin would be mentioned! Of course, the present and quite correct emphasis also ties in nicely with the modern popular themes of Wells, Fargo & Co. and their stagecoaches, the "Wild West," shootouts and lynchings, and other such stuff. Indeed, any number of true events related in the following pages could, with little effort, be adapted to an absorbing Hollywood script!

It is anticipated that museums, collectors, and others who have acquired or will acquire gold coins and bars from the S.S. Central America will appreciate the history of the pieces they own. For that reason, special attention has been paid in the following text to describe not

only life in San Franciscohome of most minters and assayers—but many outlying cities, towns, and camps as well, where such pieces were used and, in some instances (Sacramento Marysville), additional gold ingots for the S.S. Central America were made—along with, as noted, a generous amount of authentic historical romance and flavor.

In an even wider circle, historians, numismatists, and armchair adventurers will have a "you are there" experience in San Francisco during the glory days of the

Gold Rush and aboard the Central America itself-for this is the ship and treasure that have captivated the interest and imagination of the

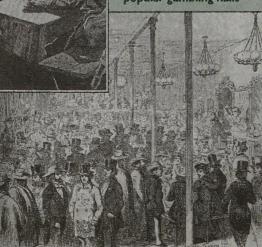
Never before in the annals of early shipwrecks has a ship and the search for its treasure been so thoroughly documented. Along the way, adventure and excitement prevail-not the work of fiction writers, but through the presentation of historical facts. Indeed, the truth of the S.S. Central America handily outdoes anything the most imaginative writer could have created!

Gold!

As a numismatic researcher and writer, and as a rare coin dealer, I have always appreciated gold coins—particularly since one day in the early 1950s when I purchased a large, heavy, impressive, and exciting 1855-S \$20 gold piece,

> the first American gold coin I ever owned. I found it incredible that such a coin existed—and as I contemplated it, all sorts of im-

Left: A typical gambling scene from San Francisco Gold Rush days. Below: The El Dorado, one of San Francisco's most popular gambling halls



ages fleeted through my imagination. Here was a coin from San Francisco, from the Gold Rush, Americana at its finest. I was so excited that I could not help but wonder why everyone did not want to own such a coin. Numismatically, the piece graded, perhaps, EF or AU, and was not particularly rare. But, how romantic it was!

Several years later, I began an intense study of the Gold Rush and its history—eventually visiting Coloma (where Sutter's Mill was once located), Volcano, Mokelumne Hill, Marysville, Mount Ophir, Dutch Flat, and other towns and sites in the Sierra Nevada Mountains, the places that years earlier teemed with fortune hunters. As the years passed, I went to other sites important in American gold history, including camps high in the Rocky Mountains, the Comstock Lode in Nevada, and even to the mostly forgotten and never very important gold sites on the Great Ammonusic River (not far from where I live).

My "library" on California gold began about 1953 or 1954 with a copy of Edgar H.

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Adams' 1913 study on early private coinage of that state and soon grew to include all of the numismatic references I could find. My search for obscure historical and geological texts began in earnest with a 1948 survey, The Mother Lode Country, issued by the California State Highway Department, a copy of which was given to me on March 12, 1961, by John J. Ford, Jr. (as I wrote

on the flyleaf at that time). This volume delineated Route 49, which today runs through the California gold district, showing towns and mining locations as they then appeared—usually with only a few dilapidated structures remaining, or nothing at all.

Year by year, whenever I found an old book, or Treasury report, or study on the California Gold Rush, I bought it-if the price was affordable. I was no Henry Clifford—whose library of original printed material from the Gold Rush was stunning, and many of whose California coins I later handled-but I did get nearly all of the standard printed references and later studies. I also acquired original or (most often) microfiche or microfilm copies of San Francisco, Sacramento, and other early directories. My library grew to the point at which now, in the year 2000, I could probably write a multi-volume series on the Gold Rush just by using my own archives.

The discovery of gold coins and bars from the wreck of the S.S. Central America was and is almost unbelievable. It was almost like going in a time machine back to 1857 and viewing—and being able to acquire thousands of freshly-minted gold coins and over 400 gold ingots.

We are all fortunate that the finding of the S.S. Central America treasure occurred in our own lifetime. And, for me, I will always consider my slight involvement as being a highlight of my numismatic career.

I am grateful that the S.S. Central America coins have provided me another opportunity to read old accounts, mostly from the Gold Rush era itself, plus dozens of newly acquired or discovered sources, to appreciate once again the effect that the discovery of gold in quantity in California has had on the history of our nation. Perhaps, as I believe I do, you will know exactly what it was like to walk into the chandeliered El Dorado gambling hall in San Francisco in 1850, or spend a night in the seaside town of Chagres, or to shovel some gravel at Mormon Bar, or to estimate the distance from your wagon to Cathedral Rock, or to watch Desiré Marchand make and stamp a gold ingot in Sacramento.

-Q. David Bowers Wolfeboro, New Hampshire

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1881-CC MS-65 (NGC) Brilliant

Collectors' Comments

A Letter from Don Bonser

Last July your editor had a chance to peek in at the Coin Grading class taught by Don Bonser and Mary Sauvain at the ANA Summer Seminar. We were impressed, and dropped each of them a note to say so. Don subsequently wrote:

Dear Dave:

Thanks for your very kind words about Mary Sauvain's and my course. They're truly appreciated, and this is what makes it so worthwhile for us. It's also nice for me to be able to give a little bit back to the hobby-it was a YN scholarship to the Summer Seminar in 1984 that gave me the idea that maybe I could make a living in this hobby/business someday and not have to work at a "real" job like the rest of the world! You were the speaker at the opening ceremonies that year, I recall quite

A few years ago my mother sent me an article that appeared in The Penn Stater about you with a comment to the effect of, 'See-more than one coin dealer went to Penn State!' I graduated from Penn State in 1988, my mother in 1962, and my father in 1960. My grandfather also taught there in the 1960s, and my sister received her doctorate there last year.

Thanks again to you, Andrew, Debbie, and Denise, and I hope to see you next year in Colorado Springs (and probably before, as well!).

My very best wishes. Sincerely, Don Bonser

Christopher Columbus Revisited

The following letter and artwork came from Victor Annaloro regarding an article about Christopher Columbus which we featured in Coin Collector #91.

Dear Dave,

It's me again. I write in spurts. Anyway I hope I'm not too much of a bother. I'm writing about an article in The Coin Collector, issue #91 of 7/31/00. The item is titled "In Search of Columbus" and is by Tom LaMarre.

Generally I liked the piece, (I love the Columbian Exposition) but I believe that some of the information given is incorrect. In the third paragraph it says that the earliest known portrait of Columbus is a painting by Sebastián del Piombo, done in 1519, which is 13 years after the Admiral's death. To the best of my knowledge the earliest known portrait of Columbus was executed by Lorenzo Lotto in 1512. Lotto did the painting from memory, six years after Columbus'

Also in the same article was the following description of Columbus, given by his son Ferdinand.

"The Admiral was a well-built man of more than average stature, the face long, the cheeks somewhat high, his body neither fat nor lean. He had an aquiline nose and light colored eyes. His complexion, too was light and tending to bright red. In youth his hair was blond, but when he reached the age of 30, it all turned

The Lotto portrait was done only six years after he was gone and is supposedly from memory. It also pretty much matches the description of Columbus, given by his son Ferdinand. I would think that any depiction, executed 50 years or better after the subject's death, would be far more likely to be inaccurate than one done only six years after the

Respectfully. Victor E. Annaloro



This portrait was commissioned by order of Queen Isabella. Date not



Portrait done by Lorenzo Lotto in 1512. Please note how well it fits the description of Columbus, given by his son Ferdinand. (Even the hair appears to be gray or white)



Portrait by Paoli Capriola, that hangs in the Madrid Gallery. Note how much this Columbus looks like the "Lotto" portrait. Maybe he used the "Lotto" painting as a reference. This portrait was done in the late 1500s.



Another portrait by Capriola that hangs in Rome. (1596)



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Because You Asked

We invite readers to submit questions relating to American numismatics. Those deemed to be of general interest will be answered in this column by our editor, Q. David

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F.A. ASKS: I recently bought a 1936 Wisconsin commemorative with a "beaver" on it, and, in the same coin shop, a copy of your Encyclopedia on commemoratives—where I learned that my "beaver" was really a badger. I am now thinking of building a numismatic zoo-coins with different animals on them. Has anyone ever published a book or check list on what to lookemorative

CC ANSWERS: No such publication exists. However, that is probably beneficial, as it requires you to look through different texts to develop your own "want list." The commemorative series furnishes a good start-what with the badger (which you already have), oxen on the

Oregon Trail, a beaver on the 1936 Albany, dolphins on the octagonal 1915-S \$50 (if budget permits such a coin), and so on. And, of course, eagles are everywhere.

Beyond that, get a copy of Russ Rulau's United States token "telephone book" size study-with lots of other animal possibilities illustrated. In general, tokens, even if they are rarer, sell for much less than coins.

And, of course, there is the wide world of foreign and ancient coins. You had better allow quite a bit of space for your zoo!

J.J. ASKS: What if I collect 10 or 20 rolls of statehood quarters for each of the 50 states as they come up in the series? Would it be a wise investment if I continue buying the rolls at the face value of \$10 per roll?

Will there be a shortage after eight or 10 years, and will demand remain strong? I know in advance that you will say that rare coins are a better investment, but I cannot afford them. What now?

CCANSWERS: Without a doubt, the new "state reverse" quarter dollars are among the most interesting things to happen in modern coin collecting. The designs

are delightful, their varieties are sufficiently different that each one has its own story and personality, and the availability of the pieces at face value has brought many new faces into the market.

Concerning investing in these, the interest cost on the money spent is at current rates somewhere in the order of 6% a year. Thus, \$100 invested in face value of

> new state reverse quarters is costing you \$6 in "maintenance." As to whether these will ever be an excellent investment outpacing cumulative interest, I cannot say. Certainly, they have been a popular speculation in recent times, as evidenced by our having to pay several multiples of face value for a bunch of rolls of 1999 Delaware quarters that a Michigan client simply had to own and asked us to track them down. The mintage quantities are so large, that I suspect that they will never

be rare. My bottom line recommendation is to buy whatever quantity at face value you consider interesting to own-with due recognition that it is fun to squirrel things away. Probably any issue that rises sharply in value on a speculative basis would be best sold during that rise, thereby locking in a profit which may not be sustained.

As the state reverse quarters are still several years in the making, I believe their numismatic outlook is assured. However, there probably will be enough to go around. A microcosm of the situation can be drawn with the 1776-1976 Washington quarters, which are now about a quarter century old. Purchasing these at face value in quantity would not have yielded a profit compared to money on compounded interest. And yet, such pieces are interesting to have.

Concerning your own situation, I might recommend that you buy fewer duplicates of statehood quarters and explore building a complete set of nice quality Washington quarters from the first year of issue, 1932, down to the present.

American Numismatic Society News

At the recent American Numismatic Association Convention in Philadelphia we had a chance to chat with Dr. Ute Wartenberg, the Director of the American Numismatic Society, who was there to talk about the Society and its functions. The Association and the Society have been close for a long time.

Ute, she of a winning personality, is certainly a goodwill ambassador for the Society and for the hobby in general. It is always nice to see her. Upon returning home we received a newsletter from the Society noting that at its new building at 140 Williams Street, New York City, a "Coin Day was held, and over 5,500 state quarter boards were given away free, and 700 people came into the great hall" to see the exhibits. Moreover, "Plans are underway for a collaborative with our new neighbor, the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. This is the first step in establishing cooperative relationships in advance of opening the ANS Money Museum that will introduce the Society to audiences frequenting the numerous museums and institu-

As an aside we note that a new staff member of the Society is named Tarnisha Smart-sort of seems to fit in with "nice toning" or something in this numismatic vein. We have not met Tarnisha yet, and wish her the best of success with her new position at the Society.

Speaking of significant names, at this summer's American Numismatic Association Summer Seminar in Colorado we met Coin World intern Summer Douglass and asked her if she had ever met numismatic author Douglas Winter (she had not).

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1882-S MS-62 PL (PCGS). Brilliant
1883 MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant
1883 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant
1883 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant
1883 MS-64. Brilliant
1883 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. HOARD ALERT!
Here we go again! We've bought quite a few. Buy
one for: 55
1883 MS-63. Brilliant
1883 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. HOARD ALERT! We've bought quite a few, but they're going fast!
While they last, buy one for:
1883-CC MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant
1883-CC MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant 895
1883-CC MS-65. Brilliant
1883-CC MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant
1883-CC MS-65 (PCGS). Light iridescent toning
1883-CC MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant
1883-CC MS-64 (GSA). Brilliant
1883-CC MS-63. Brilliant 119
1883-O MS-65. Brilliant 99
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Gem Prooflike 1884 \$1 1884 MS-65 DMPL (PCGS). Brilliant with deep
mirror surfaces—a connoisseur's delight 2,350
1884 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant
1884 MS-64 DMPL (PCGS). Brilliant 925
Fantastic Gem 1884-CC Dollar
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1864-CC MS-60 (GSA). Dilliant
Remarkable 1884-O Dollar
1884-O MS-66 DMPL (PCGS). Brilliant. A remark-
ably high-grade specimen, with deep mirror sur-
faces. Wow!
1884-O MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant
1884-O MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant center with vibrant
gold and blue peripheral toning
1884-O MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant
1884-O MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant with a whisper of
light golden peripheral toning
1884-O MS-65 DMPL (PCGS). Brilliant 735
1884-O MS-65 DPL (NGC). Brilliant 725
1884-O MS-65. Brilliant
1884-O MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant 99
1884-O MS-64. Brilliant
1884-O MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant
1884-O MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. HOARD
ALERT—we've purchased a nice group at this
grade level
1884-O MS-63. Brilliant
1884-O MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant
1884-O MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. Step right up! We've
just bought quite a few of these. What a dandy coin—
and inexpensive, too!— this will make for your col-
lection, or as a gift as the first coin in the collection
of a valued friend (what better gift could be imagined
than an introduction to numismatics?) 35
1884-S AU-50 (ANACS). Brilliant 205
1885 MS-65 PL (PCGS). Light gold and rainbow iri-
descence on the obverse, mostly brilliant on the re-
verse
1885 MS-65. Brilliant

Transmutation

The following is from Hunt's Merchants' Magazine and Commercial Review, 1846.

Pennies Converted to Pounds

At a late sale of coins in London, forming a part of the collection of curiosities owned by the late venerable Archdeacon Todd, the pennies were turned into pounds with a facility which would have gratified even a Yankee speculator.

A Queen Anne's farthing, of the year 1713, sold for £1 19s.; a pattern halfpenny, bronze, of ditto, 15s.; a William and Mary pattern halfpenny, 19s.; a George III. pattern for a penny, (tin) 10s.; nine Charlemagne silver pennies, £2; a silver medallion, by Pistrucci, 1838, £2 9s.; and a George III. pattern for a crown,

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1885 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. HOARD ALERT!	
We've bought quite a few. Buy one for: 105	
1885 MS-64. Brilliant	
1885 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant	
1885 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant	
1885 MS-63. Brilliant	
1885 MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant 35	
1885-CC MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant 845	
1885-CC MS-63 (GSA)	
Superb 1885-O Morgan Dollar	
1885-O MS-67 (NGC). Brilliant. A superb specimen	
of this popular New Orleans silver dollar 1,695	
1885-O MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant	
1885-O MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant centers with light	
golden peripheral toning	
1885-O MS-66 (PCGS). Mostly brilliant with a whis-	
per of light golden toning	
1885-O MS-65. Brilliant	
1885-O MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant	
1885-O MS-64 PL. Brilliant 99	
1885-O MS-64. Brilliant	
1885-O MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant 48	
1885-O MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant	
1885-O MS-63. Brilliant	
1885-O MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant	
1885-O MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant	
1885-O MS-62. Brilliant	
1886 MS-67 (NGC). Brilliant. Superb! 935	
1886 MS-67 (PCGS). Brilliant. Superb! 935	
Extraordinary 1886 Dollar	
1886 MS-66 DMPL (PCGS). Brilliant. None graded	
higher by PCGS. An extraordinary Morgan dollar. 2.395	
1886 MS-66 PL (NGC)	
1886 MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant	
1886 MS-66 (PCGS). Attractive with light cham-	
pagne surfaces	
1886 MS-65. Brilliant	
1886 MS-65 (ANACS). Brilliant99	
1886 MS-64. Brilliant	
1886 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant	
1886 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. HOARD ALERT!	
Here we go again! We've bought quite a few. Buy	
one for:	
1886 MS-63. Brilliant	
1886 MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant	
1886 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant	
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Prooflike Gem 1886-S Dollar 1886-S MS-65 PL (PCGS). Brilliant. A spectacular specimen of this key San Francisco Morgan

Gem 1886-S Morgan \$1

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1886-S MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant. An exceptionally
high-grade coin—another gem 3,750
1886-S MS-64 PL (PCGS). Brilliant 719
1886-S MS-63 DPL (NGC). Brilliant centers with
light golden peripheral toning
1887/6 MS-63 PL (PCGS) 975
1887 Proof-61 (PCGS). Brilliant 1,150
1887 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant
1887 MS-65. Brilliant 99
1887 MS-65 (PCGS)
1887 MS-64 PL (ANACS)69
1887 MS-64. Brilliant
1887 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant
1887 MS-63. Brilliant
1887 VAM-12. MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant 59
1887 MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant
1887 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant
1887-O MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant
1888 MS-66 (PCGS) 709
1888 MS-64. Brilliant
1888 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant 49
1888 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. HOARD ALERT!
We've bought quite a few. Buy one for: 49
1888 MS-64 (PCGS)
1888 MS-63 Brilliant
Marvelous 1888-O Dollar
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1888-O MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant and beau	tiful. A
marvelous specimen of this New Orleans	dollar
Connoisseurs take note!	3,950
1888-O MS-65. Brilliant	495
1888-O MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant	495
1888-O MS-64, Brilliant	56
1888-O MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant	56
1888-O MS-63. Brilliant	39
1888-O MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant	39

Wonderful 1888-S Dollar

1888-S MS-65 (PCGS). Toned in gold,	blue, and
amber. One of the nicest specimens we	have ever
seen!	4,450
1888-S MS-62. Brilliant	169

Gem Proof 1889 Dollar

1889 Proof-65 (NGC). Brilliant and beautiful.	One
of the nicest we've ever seen 5,	250
1889 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant	329
1889 MS-64 DMPL (PCGS). Brilliant	725
1889 MS-64. Brilliant	56

Popular 1889-CC Morgan Dollar 1889-CC AU-58 (NGC). Brilliant. A lovely speci-

men of the rarity among Carson City silver dollars the key to the series. 4,950

Prooflike 1889-O Silver Dollar

1889-O MS-64 DMPL (PCGS). Brilliant with mirror fields. A wonderful 1889-O, a great combination of high grade and rare beauty! 3,950

	Gem	1889-S	Morgan l	Do	llar	
9-S	MS-65	(NGC).	Brilliant.	A	gem!	Nice

every respect. 2,150 Mirrorlike Gem 1890-CC \$1 1890-CC MS-65 DMPL (PCGS). Brilliant with nice 1890 MS-64 DMPL (PCGS). Brilliant. 1,495

Gem 1890-O Dollar

1890-O MS-65 (PCGS). Lustrous with iridescent toning. 2,395

Glittering 1890-O Dollar 1890-O MS-64 DMPL (PCGS). Brilliant. .. 1,895

Gem Prooflike 1890-S Dollar 1890-S MS-65 DPL (NGC). Brilliant and lustrous. 1890-S MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. 995

Notable 1891-CC Dollar

1891-CC MS-65 (PCGS). Lustrous with light champagne surfaces. A notable coin for quality. Seldom seen so fine. 3,495 1891-CC MS-63 DPL (NGC). 495 1891-CC MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant centers with a whisper of light rose at the rims.................. 385 1891-O MS-64 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces. 545

Prooflike 1891-O Dollar 1891-O MS-63 DMPL (PCGS). Brilliant. An excep-

tional specimen of this important coin...... 2,795

Gem Proof 1892 Dollar 1892 Proof-65 (NGC). Mirrored golden surfaces. A wonderful specimen. Rare so fine. Just try to find another! Bet you can't! 6,495

Exceptional 1892-CC Dollar 1892-CC MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant centers with a

whisper of light amber peripheral toning. .. 8,350

Prooflike 1893-O Dollar 1893-O MS-62 PL (NGC). Brilliant. A far, far finer

specimen than usually seen! 4,695 Key 1893-S Dollar

1893-S AU-53 (PCGS). Brilliant. So many people need this, and so few coins are available. The 1893-S is fairly elusive in any grade, but at the AU level it is very rare. Just purchased! 14,950

Choice Mint State 1894 Dollar

1894 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant and beautiful. You'll love it! 3,950

Rare and Beautiful 1894-O \$1

1894-O MS-63 (PCGS), Brilliant. 3,595 Brilliant and Beautiful 1894-O \$1

1894-O MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant, beautiful. 1,795

Gem Prooflike 1895-S Morgan \$1 1895-S MS-65 PL (PCGS). A fantastic specimen of a Morgan dollar which is elusive at any Mint State level, and when seen is usually MS-60 to MS-63 with very heavy bagmarks. This coin, a prooflike gem, is bound to be a centerpiece in even the finest collection. One of the most important specimens we've ever offered! 22,950

Great 1895-S Dollar

1895-S MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. A really great specimen of this highly prized date, a very choice piece that ranks in the top 10% of specimens we have handled. A connoisseur's delight! 5,950 1896 MS-65 DMPL (PCGS). Nicely struck with good contrast between the fields and devices. 1,175 1896 MS-65 PL (PCGS). Brilliant. 475 1896 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. 695 1896 MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant. 695 1896 MS-65 (PCGS). 169 1896 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. 49 1896 MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant. 35

Desirable 1896-O Morgan Dollar A Condition Rarity

1896-O MS-62 (NGC). Brilliant with very slightly reflective surfaces. A date that is available in circulated grades on a regular basis, but is considered a great rarity in any Mint State grade. With MS-63 examples priced close to \$10,000, this is a very important opportunity for the collector. 3,150

Important 1896-O Morgan \$1 1896-O MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous. Rare

so fine. 3,150 Lovely 1896-S Dollar

1896-S MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. One of the key issues in the Morgan dollar series, a lovely specimen 1897 MS-66 (NGC). Not often seen in this very high grade (Bowers and Merena catalogues being an ex-1897 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. Readily available in

lower grades, but decidedly elusive in the superb gem Mint State preservation offered here. . 1,295

Choice Mint State 1897-O Morgan \$1

1897-O MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. An impressive example of a date that becomes incredibly rare above average AU, particularly in choice Mint State such as offered here. Don't miss this opportunity!4,995

Superb Gem 1897-S Dollar
1897-S MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous 2,095
1897-S MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant 635
1898 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant 1.095
1898 MS-64. Brilliant 56
1898-O MS-67 (NGC). Brilliant. Wow! What a high
grade!
1898-O MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant
1898-O MS-65. Brilliant 99
1898-O MS-64. Brilliant 49
1898-O MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant 49
1898-O MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant 49
1898-O MS-63. Brilliant
1898-O MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant
1898-O MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant
1899 MS-66 (PCGS)
1899-O MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant
1899-O MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant 49
1899-O MS-63 PL (NGC). Brilliant 65
1899-O MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant 35
Gem 1899-S Dollar

Gem 1899-S Dollar

1899-S MS-65 (PCGS) Golden surfaces highlighted by hints of blue, amber, and green........... 1,995

Choice Proof 1900 Dollar

1900 Proof-64 (NGC). Frosty devices encircled by 1900-O/CC MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. One of the great "story" coins among Morgan dollars. An especially nice, high-grade specimen. 1,695 1900-O/CC MS-64. Brilliant. 625 1900-O MS-66 PL (PCGS). Brilliant. An especially high grade, especially beautiful specimen of this New Orleans dollar. 1,350 1900-O MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. Exceptionally high grade! 529

Gem 1900-S Dollar

1900-S MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant. A lovely specimen. 1,595 1901 AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant. 675 1901-O MS-63 DMPL (PCGS). Brilliant. 275

Superb 1901-S Morgan Dollar 1901-S MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant. A stunningly

1901-S MS-64 (PCGS). Golden surfaces with a whisper of rainbow toning at the rims. 895

Gem Mint State 1902 Dollar

1902 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. Not often seen at this

Superb Gem 1902-O Dollar!

1902-O MS-67 (NGC). Brilliant with semi-prooflike surfaces. Seldom seen in this lofty grade! 6,995 1902-O MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant. 650 1902-O MS-61 DMPL (PCGS). Brilliant, 199 1903 MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant. 679 1903 MS-66 (PCGS). Light champagne. 679

Mirrorlike 1903-O Dollar

1903-O MS-65 DMPL (PCGS). Brilliant with great contrast between Miss Liberty and the fields. Ex-

Gem Mint State 1903-S Silver Dollar

1903-S MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. One of the most desired Morgan dollars-a classic rarity in Mint State, a true find in the gem preservation offered here. A wonderful coin! 8,750

Choice Proof 1904 Dollar

1904 Proof-63 (NGC). Brilliant. Years ago, the 1904 was considered to be the most valuable of all Proof Morgan dollars, even more so than the 1895! The reason: Someone tried to corner the market. Details are in Dave Bowers' two-volume study, Silver Dollars and Trade Dollars of the United States: A Complete Encyclopedia. Today, while the 1904 is not the most expensive Proof, it certainly is hard to find! 1.975 1904-O MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. 399 1904-O MS-65 PL (NGC). Brilliant centers with 1904-O MS-65. Brilliant. 99

Choice 1904-S Rarity 1904-S MS-64 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces. 2,750

Peace Dollars

Superb 1921 Peace Dollar

1921 Peace. MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant. One of the

very finest specimens we have ever seen or handled. High relief design, as used in this year, but then discontinued, as the sculptured-style relief would not



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1921 Peace. MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant and beauti-	1934-5 MS-60 (NGC). Light golden surfaces.1,195		
Lustrous Gem 1921 Peace Dollar 1921 Peace. MS-65 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces	Exceptional 1935 Silver Dollar 1935 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. A superb gem—one of the finest we've ever seen!		f Colonial Currency Merchants' Magazine and Commercial Review,
with deep amber peripheral toning. A truly out- standing specimen of this one-year (high relief) type and start of the series. 2,795 1922 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. Rare, no. Nice, yes! 675	ing	Curious Facts in Relat	ion to Colonial Currency Authentic Sources
1922 MS-65. Brilliant. 115 1922 MS-64. Brilliant. 45 1922 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant. 45	Eisenhower Dollars	Massachusetts: 1652: Silver shillings, sixpences, threepend	ces, coined at the rate of six shillings to a heavy
1922 MS-63. Brilliant	1973-S Silver. MS-68 (PCGS). Brilliant 235 1978 MS-64 (ANACS). Broadstruck 275	piece of eight. 1706: The courts of judicature chancered of debts, being nearly at the rate of six shilling	silver to eight shillings per ounce, in satisfaction
High-Grade 1922-D Dollar 1922-D MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. Not rare in lower grades, the 1922-D is quite elusive in the superb gem quality offered here. A find for the Peace dollar	Susan B. Anthony Dollars 1979-S Proof-69. Type I Deep Cameo (PCGS). Brilliant	1690: First emission of Province Bills, to p 1691: £10,000 of Province Bills canceled a 1701: £9,000 of Province Bills re-emitted.	pay expenses of the expedition to Canada. and burnt.
specialist	1980-S Proof-69. Deep Cameo (PCGS). Brilliant	to a heavy piece of eight.	harter Bills,' and were at the rate of six shillings res in two years. 1704, time extended two years;
peripheral toning. 325 1922-D MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant. 325 1922-D MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. 325 1922-D MS-64. Brilliant. 69	liant	1707, three years; 1709, four years; 1722, thi	rteen years. r cent advance, or five and a half New England for
1922-S MS-64. Brilliant	1 1 1	Rhode Island: 1710: First emission of Province Bills towa	ards defraying expense of expedition against Port
1922-S MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant. 2,250 1923 MS-66. Brilliant. 635 1923 MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant. 635 1923 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. 635	(通過:過過)	Royal, in Nova Scotia. 1715: Exchange with Great Britain, 65 pe 1738: Exchange with Great Britain, 400 p	r cent.
1923 MS-65. Brilliant. 115 1923 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant. 115 1923 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. 115	TRADE DOLLARS	Connecticut: 1709: First emission of Colony Bills.	
1923 MS-64. Brilliant. 45 1923 MS-64 (ANACS). Attractive gold surfaces. 45 1923 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant. 45 1923 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. 45	1873 MS-61. Light champagne surfaces 1,295 Choice 1874-S Trade Dollar 1874-S MS-63 (PCGS). Wonderful lustrous light	Virginia: 1680: Value of silver coin altered by Lord 1739: Ounce of silver worth six shillings e	Culpepper, to defraud an English regiment. eightpence; ounce of gold £5.
1923 MS-64 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces. 45 1923 MS-64 (PCI). Brilliant. 45 1923 MS-63. Brilliant. 29 1923-D MS-64. Brilliant. 209	champagne surfaces		d £12,500 upon funds of taxes. Exchange at 10
1923-D MS-63 (PCI). Brilliant	1875-CC Type I/I. MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant.1,695 1877-S MS-63 (NGC). Light champagne 1,295	North Carolina for 1 sterling; in drawing upor South Carolina:	n London, 12 to 14 for 1. sterling.
1924 MS-65. Brilliant. 119 1924 MS-64. Brilliant. 46 1924-S MS-3 (PCGS). Brilliant. 295	Choice Proof 1879 Trade \$1 1879 Proof-64 (PCGS). Frosty devices with light champagne surfaces	1711: Emission for expedition against No	
1925 MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant		1715: Emission for expedition against Sou 1739: About £250,000 outstanding. Exch sterling.	othern Indians. ange with Great Britain, 8 South Carolina for 1
1925 MS-66 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces 635 1925 MS-65 Brilliant			
1925 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant. 45 1925-S MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant. 539 1925-S MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. 539	GOLD DOLLARS Beautiful 1849 Gold Dollar	dollar with very great eye appeal. We believe that gold coins are an especially good buy right now, and we've been on the lookout for nice pieces	
Lovely Gem 1926 Dollar 1926 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant, a very "gemmy"	1849 Open Wreath. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous	Superb Gem 1881 Gold \$1 1881 MS-66 (PCGS). A lovely example of this low-mintage date	\$2.50 GOLD
specimen (to borrow a term commonly used in mineralogy)	1853 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant	Gem 1881 Gold Dollar 1881 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. Unusually attrac-	QUARTER EAGLES
1926 AU-58. Brilliant	eye appeal for the grade	tive	Early Quarter Eagles
1926-D MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant	a shattered obverse die, with heavy cracks connecting many of the obverse stars	Gem 1884 Rarity 1884 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant and beautiful. 1,995	Important 1802/1 Quarter Eagle 1802/1 EF-40 (PCGS). Attractive surfaces with a
1926-D MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant	1854 Type II. AU-58 (NGC). Brilliant. Year in and year out, the Type II gold dollars are best sellers—for such pieces are among the keys to a type set. 1,265 1854 Type II. AU-50 (NGC). Brilliant 775	Exceptional 1885 Gold Dollar 1885 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant and as beautiful as can be	whisper of rose toning. A significant rarity. Only at widely spaced intervals are we fortunate enough to have a specimen in our inventory
1926-S MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant	1854 Type II. VF-30 (PCGS)	1886 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant. Just 5,000 were minted, a scarce issue	Farnous 1825 Rarity 1825 B-1. AU-50. Great eye appeal. A famous rar-
1927 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant	1855 Type II. AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant 1,265 1855 Type II. AU-53 (NGC). Brilliant 795	Lovely Proof 1887 Gold Dollar 1887 Proof-64 (PCGS). Brilliant with nice frosty	ity in the quarter eagle series—a classic for generations
1927-D MS-60 (PCGS). Brilliant	Important 1855-O Gold \$1 Only New Orleans Type II Gold \$1 1855-O AU-55 (NGC). A lovely and lustrous ex-	devices. A delightful Proof example for the advanced type collector	Choice 1835 Quarter Eagle 1835 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous. 7,995
1927-S MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant. Seldom seen in MS-65. At this level, a prime key to the Peace dollar series	ample of the only Type Il gold dollar issue from the New Orleans Mint. From a fairly small mintage of just 55,000 pieces. Scarce in AU or higher grades,	Amazing 1887 Gold Dollar 1887 MS-67 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous. An extraordinary gem for the date or type collector 4,650.	Wonderful 1836 Quarter Eagle 1836 Script 8. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant with wonderful eye appeal
1927-S MS-64 (NGC). Golden surfaces. Hard to find this nice	and highly important as such	Superb Gem 1887 Gold Dollar 1887 MS-66 (PCGS). A delightful, brilliant example.	Lustrous 1836 \$2.50 1836 Head of 1835. Breen-6143. AU-58
1927-S MS-63. Brilliant	Gem 1857 Gold Dollar 1857 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant. Not a rare date; but at the gem level quite elusive. A coin for the connois-	A scarce issue at a common date price. Just 7,500 circulation strikes were produced 2,895	(NGC). Brilliant. A very nice example at this grade level
1928 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant. A gem specimen of this classic rarity	seur	Superb 1888 Gold Dollar 1888 MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant. This is a good time to consider beginning a complete set of Type Ill gold	Brilliant
in the Peace dollar series. Always in demand. Just purchased!	1857 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous 1,695 1861 MS-63 (NGC). Lustrous satiny surfaces 950	dollars. High quality examples may be found at reasonable prices	Liberty Quarter Eagles 1845 AU-55 (NGC). Brilliant
1934 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant	Superb Gem 1862 Gold \$1 1862 MS-66 (PCGS). Great eye appeal with only one	Superb Gem 1889 Gold \$1 1889 MS-67 (NGC). A wonderful coin! 4,495	Choice 1852 \$2.50 1852 MS-64 (PCGS). Lustrous, nice strike 2,695
gold peripheral toning	coin graded higher by PCGS	Exceptional 1889 Gold Dollar 1889 MS-66 (PCGS). A superb, highly lustrous gem specimen of the last year of issue	1852 MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant
1934-D MS-63 (PCGS) Brilliant	Proof 1876 Rarity 1876 Proof-63 (PCGS). A lovely example of this issue, a classic rarity. Just purchased. A find for the advanced numismatist	Gem 1889 Gold Dollar 1889 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant with great eye appeal	Important 1860-S Quarter Eagle 1860-S MS-61 (PCGS). Brilliant. A scarce date issue, one of just 35,600 minted. More important is the rarity in Mint State condition. PCGS has graded just
1934-S MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. This is the key date in the Peace dollar series, and whenever we see an example that combines accurate (in our opinion)	1877 MS-62 (NGC). Brilliant	Lovely Mint State 1889 Gold Dollar 1889 MS-64 (PCGS). A frosty and highly lustrous	eight Mint State examples of this issue. Consider- ing the great and growing activity in rare gold coins,
numerical grade with excellent eye appeal, we buy it!	1878 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. A lovely specimen which is a country mile rarer in this grade than most	example of the final date in the gold dollar series. Rich rose toning accents the overall quality. A grand combination of quality and value	this is a winner
Lovely MS-63 1934-S \$1 1934-S MS-63 (PCGS). Light gold surfaces. 2,495 1934-S MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant	issues of the following decade. Go for it—a quick call to Gail or Debbie, and it can be yours! . 3,195 Cameo 1880 Gold \$1 1880 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. A little cameo, a gold	Fax Your Order: 603-569-5319	Rare 1866-S \$2.50 1866-S AU-50 (PCGS). Brilliant. Very rare in this high grade. Just purchased
1,500	- Carlo Carriero, a gold		

Traveling and Smoking in Style

The following is from Hunt's Merchants' Magazine and Commercial Review, 1846, page 510:

A Railway Smoking Saloon

We cannot recommend smoking, although we are sometimes guilty of the practice. But the moral editor of the American Railroad Journal assures us that the smoking portion of the community is certainly not the least respectable portion—that is quite too large to be neglected in providing for the comfort and convenience of the public. Notwithstanding all the "counterblasts" from King James down to Mr. Lane, the practice holds its sway over men, and the Journal thinks it ever will be so long as tobacco grows.

"There is no use then in denying accommodations to smokers, on the ground of objection to the habit by many; and too many great and good men have smoked and do smoke; to allow of any one stigmatizing the practice as vulgar or indecent."

In the United States we believe there is no regular arrangement for this purpose; but it will be seen from the following paragraph from an English paper, that it has been introduced into that country, and ample arrangements made to accommodate the "smoking public" who travel:

"A novelty has recently been introduced on the Eastern Counties Railway in the running of a handsome carriage termed a smoking or excursion saloon. In size and form of build it much resembles the royal carriages on the Great Western, South Western, and other railways. Its extreme length of 40 feet, on the body about 30 feet, the ends being converted into a kind of a open lounge. It runs on six wheels, which are fitted with Adams' patent bow springs. The internal decorations are of the most recherché description. The seats extend the full length of the sides, and are handsomely covered with morocco leather. A highly polished mahogany table occupies the centre, the entire fitted with selfbalancing lamps. The sides are lighted by eight plate-glass windows of unusual size, while the ends are fitted up with four plate of looking-glass. Its drapery is composed of bright crimson silk formed in very graceful design. The roof presents an exceedingly chaste appearance. The groundwork is painted white, the moldings being gilt. The general furniture is of richly carved polished mahogany. The exterior is painted with a deep maroon color, ornamented with gold etchings and emblazoned with the company's ciphers. Passengers using this smoking saloon are to pay first-class fare."

1869 AU-55	(PCGS).	Brilliant.	Low	mintage.1,400
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Kare 18/1 Quarter Eagle
1871 AU-58 (NGC). Brilliant and lustrous. Only
5,000 pieces were minted 1,695
1873 Closed 3. MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant 1,095
1873 Closed 3. MS-61 (PCGS). Brilliant 770
Choice 1873 Open 3 \$2.50
1873 Open 3. MS-62 (NGC). Brilliant 650
1878 MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant
Choice 1878-S Quarter Eagle
1878-S MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant
1879 MS-62 (NGC). Brilliant
Rare 1885 Gold \$2.50
1885 AU-58 (NGC). Brilliant. Only 800 pieces were

minted. A key issue in the quarter eagle series. 3,595 Gem 1886 \$2.50 Rarity 1886 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous. Only

4,000 minted. Only one piece graded higher by PCGS. Just purchased. A fantastic coin!!! .. 10,750

1899 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. 1,095 Gem Mint State 1900 Quarter Eagle 1900 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. A gem specimen of the final Liberty Head quarter eagle of the 19th century (or the first year of the 20th century, if you are not mathematically inclined). Not a rarity, even in

MS-65, but surely a first-class showpiece for a firstclass type set. 2,195 1900 MS-61 (PCGS). Brilliant. 495

Proof 1902 Quarter Eagle 1902 Proof-61 (PCGS). Lustrous with great eye ap-

Superb 1902 Quarter Eagle 1902 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. An ultra-quality

Gem Uncirculated 1902 \$2.50 1902 MS-65 (PCGS). Warm gold and rose toning on satiny lustrous surfaces. A lovely gem. 1,595 1902 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. 875 1902 MS-62 (NGC). Brilliant. 395 Lovely 1903 Quarter Eagle 1903 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant and beautiful. 1,725

1903 MS-64 (NGC). Flashy! 875 Gem 1904 \$2.50

Gem 1905 \$2.50 **1905 MS-64** (PCGS). Brilliant. 875 1905 MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant. 905

Choice Proof 1906 \$2.50 1906 Proof-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. An opportunity for the advanced type collector or quarter eagle specialist

to acquire an attractive Proof example. 5,750 Superb Gem 1906 \$2.50 1906 MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant and lustrous. . 2,395

Gem	1906	Quarter	Fagle

Com 1700 Quarter Lugio
1906 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. Gems such as this are
becoming increasingly difficult to find 1,595
1906 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant. Lots of value at the
MS-64 level. Enjoy the opportunity! 875
1906 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant 875
1906 MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant. Pleasing to the
eye!
1906 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant
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Superb Gem 1907 \$2.50
1907 MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant
1907 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant
1907 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant 875
1907 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant

Indian Quarter Eagles

Superb Gem 1908 \$2.50 1908 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous. First year of the type...... 5,995

Gem 1908 Indian \$2.50 1908 MS-65 (PCGS). Lustrous with attractive gold and olive highlights. A satiny gem from the first year of Bela Lyon Pratt's unique incused Indian Head design; the design motifs are sunken into the coin rather than raised above the surface, as in virtually all other U.S. coin design types. 3,150 1909 AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant...... 265 1909 AU-55 (PCGS). Brilliant. 209 1910 AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant...... 219 1911 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant. 1,225

Important 1911-D \$2.50

1911-D MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. Variety with bold mintmark, a very important consideration when acquiring this scarce coin. Lovely to behold and even nicer to have as part of your collection. One of the 20th-century gold coins in the greatest demand. 8,495

Key 1911-D Quarter Eagle

1911-D AU-50 (ANACS). 1,795 Choice 1912 \$2.50 1912 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. 1,650 1912 MS-63 (PCGS). Lustrous. 995 1912 AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant...... 235 1913 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. 1,295 1913 AU-53 (PCGS). 199

1913 AU-50 (PCGS). 195 Elusive Mint State 1914 \$2.50

1914 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. Among quarter eagles of the early 20th century, the 1914 is one of the hardest to find in choice Mint State. The present coin is a beauty-ideal for a high quality display. 4,950 1915 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. A very nice specimen of the last of the early range of dates in the Indian quarter eagle series. Scarce so choice! 1,295 1915 MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant. 675 1915 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. 675

1915 MS-61 (PCGS). Brilliant. 375 Gem Mint State 1925-D \$2.50

1925-D MS-65 (PCGS). A satiny gem with strong lustre and a hint of rose iridescence that adds considerably to the overall beauty of the coin. . 2,595

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1925-D MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant. 895 1925-D MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. 895 1925-D MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. 699 1925-D MS-61 (PCGS). Brilliant. 259
MS-65 1926 Quarter Eagle 1926 MS-65 (PCGS). A delightful example for the connoisseur. Lustrous, frosty, etc., etc.! 2,495 1926 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant 895 1926 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant 895 1927 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant 895 1927 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant 895 1927 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. Pedigreed to the "Rainy Day Collection." 895
Gem 1928 Quarter Eagle 1928 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant
THREE-DOLLAR GOLD
Choice Mint State 1854 \$3 1854 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. First year of issue and relatively common in lower grades, but elusive in choice Mint State. The advanced collector will be delighted with this opportunity as well, representing a one-year type coin with the reverse having DOLLARS in small letters
Lustrous 1854 \$3 Gold 1854 MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant with great eye appeal
Mint State 1854 \$3 1854 MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant. Lovely
Marvelous Gem 1859 \$3 1859 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous. One of the finest seen—a memorable, marvelous specimen! 24,950 1859 AU-58 (NGC). Brilliant. 1,350 1860 AU-55 (PCGS). Lustrous. 1,375
Mint State 1874 \$3 1874 MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant 1,895

Choice Mint State 1878 \$3 Gold 1878 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. The most popular date of its era, the 1878 \$3 in this grade is an ideal choice for a high quality type set. 4,295

Lovely Mint State 1878 \$3 1878 MS-62. Brilliant with attractive satiny sur-1878 AU-58 (PCGS). A lustrous, beautiful coin with

Low-Mintage 1879 \$3 1879 MS-61 (PCGS). Brilliant. A very attractive

specimen of this low-mintage date. A numismatic prize! 2,950 Important 1883 \$3

1883 AU-55 (PCGS). A nice example with only 900

Choice Proof 1889 \$3 Rarity 1889 Proof-64 (PCGS). Wonderful eye appeal. A choice specimen. Just purchased! 13,950



\$5 GOLD HALF EAGLES

Early Half Eagles

Desirable 1795 Half Eagle

1795 AU-55 (PCGS). Lustrous bright yellow gold. An exceptional example of our first half eagle coinage, with Small Eagle reverse. The 1795 half eagles were struck from July 31 to September 16 of that

Mint State 1800 Half Eagle

1800 MS-62 (PCGS). Delightful quality with bril-1802/1 Breen-2F. Rarity-5. AU-58 (NGC). Exceptional brilliant surfaces with nearly full lustre. A scarce variety from the High Overdate obverse, with the top of the final digit touching the drapery. 6,250

Lustrous 1803/2 \$5

1803/2 Breen-1D. AU-58 (NGC). Brilliant and very attractive. As no "perfect date" 1803 half eagles exist, this is as close as one can come! A lovely specimen that is ideal for either a type set or a specialized cabinet. 6,150

Brilliant and Beautiful 1805 \$5 805 B-3B. AU-55 (NGC). Brilliant and beautiful. A very attractive example of the date, variety, and grade
Lustrous 1807 Draped Bust \$5 807 B-1A. Draped Bust. AU-58 (NGC). Brilliant. Last year of the Draped Bust obverse. A lovely coin, lustrous and attractive
Mint State 1812 \$5 812 B-1A. MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant. A splendid Mint State specimen of this scarce year and scarce design type
Rare 1819 Half Eagle 819 B-2B. Rarity-7. Normal Reverse. EF-40. Pedigreed to Henry Chapman's sale March 1926. Of all half eagles in this era of rarities, the 1819 is one of the most famous. Often years will elapse between our offerings! Just purchased!
Liberty Half Eagles
Attractive 1839-D Half Eagle
339-D VF-35 (PCGS). First year of the Liberty design and only the second year of coinage in Dahlonega. Almost 19,000 were struck, a low mintage in general terms, and about average for this southern mint
33-D VF-35 (PCGS). First year of the Liberty design and only the second year of coinage in Dahlonega. Almost 19,000 were struck, a low mintage in general terms, and about average for this southern mint
339-D VF-35 (PCGS). First year of the Liberty design and only the second year of coinage in Dahlonega. Almost 19,000 were struck, a low mintage in general terms, and about average for this southern mint. 2,250 343-D EF-45 (NGC). A nice example. 1,395 345 EF-40 (PCGS). Attractive. 259 Mint State 1848 Rarity 348 MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant. In full Mint State the 1848 half eagle is a rarity. Only infrequently do we have one in stock. Buy this lovely, lustrous, and rare coin for only

1856 MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant. 1856-S Breen-6626. Medium S. AU-50 (NGC). Plenty of lustre and rich orange toning make for an Mint State 1857 Half Eagle 1857 MS-62 (PCGS). Very attractive. Rare in Mint

1858 MS-61 (PCGS). A nice example with a mintage of just 15,136. 3,850 **1866-S No Motto. F-15** (PCGS). 1,195 Low-Mintage 1868 Half Eagle

1868 AU-55 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous. The mintage of this issue is only 5,700. 3,995 1870-S VF-30 (PCGS). A nice example of this low-

Important 1873-S \$5 Rarity 1873-S AU-50 (PCGS). An attractive example of this rarity, a coin which Walter Breen described as "unknown in AU." Although 31,000 were minted, the survival ratio is certainly extremely

Choice Uncirculated 1880 \$5

1880 MS-64 (PCGS). A brilliant prooflike half eagle of near-gem quality. The frosty devices and mirror fields exhibit a dusting of pale rose and orange toning. An appealing coin in all re-1881 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. 1,095 1881 MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant. 675 1881 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. 675 1881 MS-62 (NGC). Brilliant. 345 1881 MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant. 345 1881 AU-55 (PCI). Brilliant. 189 1882-S MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous with only three pieces graded higher by PCGS. . 1,295 1881-S MS-63 (PCGS). Lustrous, attractive. .. 765 **1882 MS-64** (NGC). Brilliant. 1,095 **1884-S MS-62** (PCGS), Brilliant. 650 Gem 1885-S Half Eagle

1885-S MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. A common date in general terms, although extremely rare in gem qual-1885-S MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant. 1,150 1885-S MS-63 (NGC.) Brilliant. 695

Gem 1886 Half Eagle 1886 MS-65 (PCGS). A lovely coin with only one piece graded higher by PCGS. 8,750

Rare 1889 Half Eagle 1889 MS-62 (NGC). Brilliant. A remarkably nice specimen of this highly important half eagle dateone of the rarities of its era. 2,295

Choice 1892 \$5

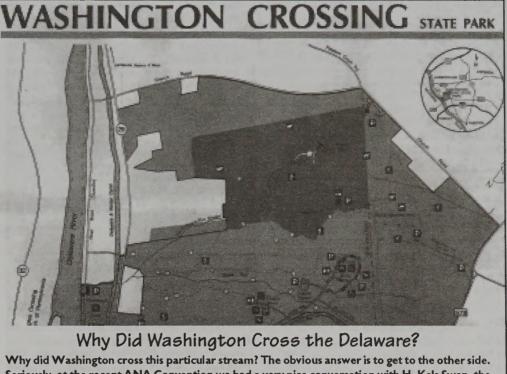
Mint State 1894 Half Eagle

1894 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. 2,550

	THE COIN CONECTOR
1894-S AU-53 (PCGS). Brilliant	Lovely 1915 Half Eagle
1895 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant	1915 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant
1897 AU-55 (PCGS)	1915-S AU-53 (PCGS). Brilliant 519
1897-S AU-58 (PCGS) 495	1916-S AU-50 (PCGS). Brilliant 395
Gem Mint State 1899 Half Eagle	1916–S F-12 (PCGS)
1899 MS-65 (PCGS). A satiny and brilliant gem of the	
highest order (within the grade limitations, of	E WITCH ST.
course). A warm olive glow enhances the overall	
quality. This is what the MS-65 grade designation is all about!	
1899 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant 1,095	C C STORY DATE
1899 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant	L TO THE P
1899-S VF-35 (PCGS) 165	
	\$10 GOLD EAGLES
Choice Proof 1900 Half Eagle 1900 Proof-63 (PCGS). Lovely	
1900 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant	Early Gold Eagles
1900 MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant	Early Goul Eagles
1901 MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant	Beautiful 1801 Eagle
Gam 1901 S Half Facto	1801 B-6843; B-2B. AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant
Gem 1901-S Half Eagle 1901-S MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant	and lustrous. Ideal for a type set. A very impres-
1901-S MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant	sive coin!
1901-S MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant	11.4.0.117.1.
1901-S MS-62 (NGC). Brilliant	Liberty Gold Eagles
1902-S MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous. 1,095	1845 VF-25 (NGC). A nice original example. 625
1902-S MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant 595	High Crade 1845 O Feeds
1903 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant	High-Grade 1845-O Eagle 1845-O AU-53 (PCGS), Brilliant
1903-S MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant	1848 EF-45 (PCGS). Brilliant with nice eye ap-
1904 MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant	peal
1904 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant 1,195	1850 Large Date. VF-35 (NGC)
1905 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant 1,095	1851-O EF-45 (NGC) 595
1905 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant 775	1852 EF-45 (PCGS)
Superb Gem 1906 Half Eagle	1852 VF-35 (PCGS)
1906 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant with only two graded	1853 EF-40 (PCGS)
higher by PCGS	1879 AU-58 (NGC)
	1879-S AU-53 (PCGS)
Gem Mint State 1906 Half Eagle 1906 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. This date is not seen	1880-S MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant
very often in gem condition	1881 AU-58. Brilliant 275
1906 MS-63 (PCGS).Brilliant	1881-S AU-55 (PCGS)
	1886 MS-61 (PCGS)
Choice Uncirculated 1906-D \$5	1880-3 M3-02 (PCG3). Drillant
1906-D MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant with even lustre on satiny honey gold surfaces. First year of the Denver	Choice Mint State 1887-S Eagle
Mint	1887-S MS-63 (PCGS). Lustrous
	1888-S AU-55 (PCGS). Brilliant
Lovely Gem 1906-S Half Eagle	1889-S MS-62 (NGC). Brilliant 595
1906-S MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous.	Rare 1889 \$10 Gold
"Earthquake year" coin. Gorgeous!	1889 AU-55 (PCGS). A nice example 1,595
	1893 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant 795
Gem 1907 Half Eagle	1893 MS-61 (PCGS), Brilliant
1907 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous. 3,750	1893 MS-60 (PCGS)
1907 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant	1894 MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant
1907 MS-63 (PCGS) 595	1894-O AU-58 (NGC) 595
1907-D MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant 1,150	1895 MS-61 (PCGS). Brilliant
Gem 1908 Liberty \$5	1896-S AU-55 (PCGS), Brilliant
1908 Liberty. MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant. Final year of	1897-O AU-55 (PCGS). Brilliant
issue for the Liberty design, and important as the	1898 MS-63 (PCGS) Lovely satiny surfaces 925
only 1908-dated Liberty gold coin. Only circulation	1899 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant 1,395
strikes were produced, therefore, this is of interest	1899 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous 695
to collectors of Proof gold half eagles 2,895 1908 Liberty. MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant 595	1900-S MS-61 (NGC). Lustrous satiny surfaces exhibit attractive olive iridescence
1700 Liberty. 143-03 (FCG3). Dilinant 373	mon attractive onve indescence
Indian Half Eagles	Gem Mint State 1901 Eagle
J 8	1901 MS-65 (PCGS). Fully brilliant and lustrous. An
Gem Mint State 1908 Indian \$5	opportunity for the advanced collector 3,250
1908 Indian. MS-65 (NGC) 11,950	1901 MS-64 (PCGS)
1908-D MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant 1,050	1901 MS-62 (NGC). Brilliant
1908-D MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant	
1908-5 EF-45 (PCGS). Brimant and Justrous. 675	Superb Gem 1901-S Eagle
Memorable 1909 Half Eagle	1901-S MS-66 (PCGS). Lovely surfaces. Only two graded higher by PCGS
1909 MS-66 (PCGS). Condition Census, only three	1901-S MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant
graded MS-66 between PCGS and NGC. 24,950	1901-S MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant
Choice 1909 Half Eagle	1901-S MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant
1909 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant 3,395	1901-S MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant 309
	1902-S MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant 595
Lovely 1909-D Half Eagle	1903-O MS-62 (PCGS). Lustrous
1909-D MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant 2,895	1903-O MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant
Brilliant 1909-D \$5	1903-O MS-60 (NGC). Brilliant
1909-D MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. A nice coin for a	1904-O AU-58 (NGC). Brilliant
type set	
1909-D MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant	Gem Proof 1905 Eagle
1909-D AU-55	1905 Proof-65 (NGC). Brilliant gem. One of the finest Proofs in existence! Just purchased 37,500
1707-3 AO-33 (FCGS). Dimiant	1906-D MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant
Choice 1911 Half Eagle	1906–D MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant
1911 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant 3,295	1906-D AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant 350
1911 MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant	1907 Liberty MS-64 (PCGS) 995
1911 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant	Indian Cold Earles
1911 MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant	Indian Gold Eagles
1911-D AU-55 (PCGS). Brilliant	1909 AU-58 (PCGS) 425
1911-D EF-45 (NGC). A scarcer issue of the era. 495	1909-D AU-55 (PCGS). Brilliant 519
1911-S MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant	1909-S AU-58 (NGC). Brilliant 595
1912 MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant 1,195	Attractive 1910 Eagle
1912 MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant	1910 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. Scarce so fine.1,925
1913 AU-58 (NGC). Brilliant	1910-S AU-58 (NGC). Brilliant 665
1913 AU-50, Brilliant	1911-D EF-45 (PCGS)
1913-S EF-45 (PCGS). Brilliant	1911-S AU-53 (NGC). Brilliant
	1912 AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant
Lustrous 1914-D Half Eagle	1912-S MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant
1914-D MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. Scarce Denver Mint issue	
	Lustrous 1914-D Eagle
Beautiful 1915 Half Eagle	1914-D MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant, lustrous, and beau-
1915 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant and beautiful. 3,595	tiful

1915 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant and beautiful. 3,595

Lovely 1915 Half Eagle 1915 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. 1,295 1915-S AU-53 (PCGS). Brilliant. 519 1916-S AU-50 (PCGS). Brilliant. 395 1916-S F-12 (PCGS). 245
\$10 GOLD EAGLES
Early Gold Eagles
Beautiful 1801 Eagle 1801 B-6843; B-2B. AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant and lustrous. Ideal for a type set. A very impressive coin!
Liberty Gold Eagles 1845 VF-25 (NGC). A nice original example. 625
High-Grade 1845-O Eagle
1845-O AU-53 (PCGS). Brilliant. 2,495 1848 EF-45 (PCGS). Brilliant with nice eye appeal. 495 1850 Large Date. VF-35 (NGC). 385 1851-O EF-45 (NGC). 595
1852 EF-45 (PCGS)
1853 EF-40 (PCGS)
1879 AU-58 (NGC)
1880-S MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant
1881-S AU-55 (PCGS)
1886-S MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant 545 Choice Mint State 1887-S Eagle
1887-S MS-63 (PCGS). Lustrous
Rare 1889 \$10 Gold 1889 AU-55 (PCGS). A nice example 1,595
1893 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant
1893 MS-60 (PCGS)
1894 MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant
1895 MS-61 (PCGS). Brilliant
1897-O AU-55 (PCGS). Brilliant
1899 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant
1900-S MS-61 (NGC). Lustrous satiny surfaces exhibit attractive olive iridescence
Gem Mint State 1901 Eagle 1901 MS-65 (PCGS). Fully brilliant and lustrous. An
opportunity for the advanced collector 3,250 1901 MS-64 (PCGS) 1,195
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1903-O MS-60 (NGC). Brilliant
1904-O AU-58 (NGC). Brilliant 395
Gem Proof 1905 Eagle 1905 Proof-65 (NGC). Brilliant gem. One of the fin-
est Proofs in existence! Just purchased 37,500 1906-D MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant
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1907 Liberty MS-64 (PCGS)
1909 AU-58 (PCGS)
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Attractive 1910 Eagle 1910 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. Scarce so fine.1,925
1910-S AU-58 (NGC). Brilliant



Seriously, at the recent ANA Convention we had a very nice conversation with H. Kels Swan, the recipient of a 50-year gold medal for ANA Membership. He has endowed the Visitor Center-Museum at the Washington Crossing State Park, located in New Jersey. We can hardly wait to visit the site ourselves—it seems to be a very impressive layout—and see the historical treasures on view as well as what must be very nice grounds and building arrangement. The facility is located at 355 Washington Crossing Pennington Road, Titusville, New Jersey.

1926 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant, very beau	atiful. 3,250
1926 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant	1,095
1926 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant	
1926 MS-62 (NGC). Brilliant	
1926 MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant	
1926 MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant	415
1926 AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant	
1932 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant	
1932 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant	
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Gem Mint State 1926 Eagle

\$20 GOLD DOUBLE **EAGLES**

Liberty Double Eagles

1850 VF-25 (NGC). First year of this large, beauti-
ful, and impressive denomination
1855-S VF-30
1856-S "Notice." We expect to have about 100
1856-S double eagles from the S.S. Central
America—coins that are in AU grade and were one
year old when the ship sank. Call Gail or Debbie for
information. These will probably be limited to one
per person, while they last.
1859-S EF-45 (NGC) 795
1860-S VF-20 (NGC)
Lovely Mint State 1861 \$20

1861 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. An importa	ant issue
for the type or date collector. This date has	not been
represented in either the S.S. Brother Jonatha	an or the
S.S. Central America finds	14,950
1861-S VF-30 (NGC)	695
1862-S EF-40 (PCGS)	875

1865-S "Treasure" \$20

1865-S MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. Pedigreed to our
Brother Jonathan sale, Lot 769. Lovely, rare, and of
incredible historical importance!
1868-S AU-50 (PCGS). Brilliant 1,450
1870-S EF-45 (NGC)
1871 EF-45 (NGC) 895
1872-S EF-45 (NGC) 525
1873 EF-45 (PCGS). Lightly toned
1874-CC EF-40 (PCGS) 895
1874-CC VF-35 (PCGS)
1875-CC EF-40 (PCGS) 895
1875-CC VF-35 (PCGS)
1876-CC AU-50 (PCGS). Brilliant 1,095
1877 AU-58 (PCGS) 575
1877 AU-53. Brilliant 575
1877-S AU-53 (PCGS) 545
1877-S EF-45 (PCGS). Brilliant 565
1878-S AU-58 (ANACS). Brilliant 619
1878-S AU-55 (PCGS)
1878-S AU-53 (PCGS) 539
1879 MS-60 (ANACS). Brilliant and lustrous. 775
1879-S MS-60 (NGC). Brilliant 975
1879-S AU-55 (PCGS). Brilliant 575
1880 EF-45 (PCGS)
1881-S AU-58 (NGC). Brilliant
1883-S MS-61 (PCGS). Brilliant:
1883-S EF-45 (PCGS) 475
1884-CC AU-50 (PCGS) 1,095
1884-CC VF-30 (PCGS)
1884-S AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant 575

1884-S AU-55 (PCGS). Brilliant. 525

1885-S AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant 575
1884-S EF-45 (PCGS) Brilliant
1888-S AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant 525
1889 AU-55. Brilliant
1889-S EF-40 (PCGS). Brilliant 469
1890 MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant 1,395
1890-CC AU-53 (PCGS). Brilliant 1,295
1890-CC AU-50 (PCGS) 1,125
1890-CC EF-40 (PCGS)
1890-S MS-60 (NGC). Brilliant 575
1890-S AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant 535
1893-S AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant 495
1894-S AU-50. Brilliant
1895 MS-62 (NGC) 595
1896 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant
1896-S MS-60 (NGC). Brilliant 475
1896-S AU-58 (PCGS) 465
1896-S VF-35. Brilliant
1897 MS-60. Brilliant
1897 AU-58 (PCGS). Lightly toned 475
1897-S MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant 1,150
1898-S MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant 1,095
1898-S MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant 535
1898-S MS-60 (NGC). Brilliant
1899 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant
1899 MS-61 (PCGS). Brilliant
1899-S MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant 575
1899-S MS-61 (PCGS). Brilliant 495
1899-S MS-60 (NGC). Lightly toned
1900 MS-63 (PCGS)
1900 MS-62 (PCGS)
1902-S MS-60 (PCGS). Brilliant
1902-S AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant
1903 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant
1903 MS-63 (NGC). Brilliant
1903 MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant
1903-S MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant 495
Choice Proof 1904 \$20

1904 Proof-64 (PCGS). Wow! 32,950

Gem 1904 Double Eagle

1904 MS-65 (PCGS). Blazing lustre. A superb coin that would grace any type set. 2,650 1904 MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant. 895 1904 MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant. 495 1904 MS-60 (NGC). Brilliant. 429 1904 AU-58 (PCGS). Lightly toned. 419

1904-S MS-62 (NGC). Brilliant. 525 1904-S AU-55 (PCGS). 419 1906 AU-58 (NGC). Brilliant. 545 1906-S AU-58. Brilliant. 409

1907 Liberty. AU-55 (PCGS). Brilliant. 429 Choice Mint State 1907-S \$20

1907-S MS-64 (PCGS). Lustrous near gem. Last date	l
of Longacre's Liberty design 3,695	
1907-S MS-60 (PCGS). Brilliant 525	

Saint-Gaudens Double Eagles

AU-58 MCMVII High Relief \$20 MCMVII (1907) High Relief. AU-58 (PCGS). A wonderful example, at the high-end AU level, of this beautiful and rare issue. 8,395

Gem 1907 Arabic \$20 1907 Arabic Numerals. Regular Saint-Gaudens design. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant...... 2,795 1909 MS-62 (PCGS). Scarce in all grades. 1,395

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1909 AU-58 ({PCGS). Brilliant	We've liked commemoratives for a long time, but the	1926 Or
Gem 1910-D Double Eagle	market has been slow. Lately, the market has been stirring—and choice and gem pieces are very hard to	Exe
1910-D MS-65 (PCGS). Very scarce in gem condi-	keep in stock. This is a new purchase 2,750	1928 Or
tion	1921 Alabama. 2X2. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant.	1928 O
1910-D MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant	Lustrous and attractive. A lot of value awaits you in the MS-64 grade. Another great new pur-	1933-D 1934-E
1911 AU-55 (PCGS). Brilliant 719	chase!	toned
1913 AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant	1921 Alabama. 2X2. MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant. 485	1934-D
1913 AU-53 (PCGS). Brilliant	1936 Albany MS-66 (PCGS). Light golden sur-	1937-D 1937-D
1914-S MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant	faces	1938 Ot
1915 AU-58. Brilliant 595		1938-D
Gem 1915-S Double Eagle	Superb Gem 1937 Antietam 1937 Antietam. MS-67 (PCGS). Brilliant 1,550	1938-S
1915-S MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant 1,995	1937 Antietam MS-66 (PCGS). Light golden pe-	Supe
1915-S MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant and beautiful. 695	ripheral toning 825	1939-D
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922 AU-58 (NGC). Brilliant	1938-D Arkansas. MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant 595 1934 Boone MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant	Ditto
	1935-D with small 1934. MS-64 (NGC). Bril-	1939-S
Marvelous Super-Gem 1924 \$20 924 MS-67 (NGC). Brilliant. We have seen very few	liant	wise.
1924 double eagles at this grade level 9,650	1936 Boone. MS-65 (PCGS)	Supe
Superb Gem 1924 \$20	1937 Boone, MS-64, Brilliant	1915-S
1,895 l924 MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant	1938 Boone. MS-65 (PCGS). Pale rose and gold iri-	liant a
1924 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant 995	descence present. Remarkably low mintage! . 459	1915-S
1924 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant	1938 Boone. MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant 459 1936 Bridgeport. MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant 585	A clas
19 24 MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant	1936 Bridgeport MS-66 (PCGS) 585	1915-S
1924 MS-61 (PCGS)	1952 Carver-Washington. MS-63. Brilliant 17	surfac
1925 MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant 549	1936 Cincinnati. MS-60. Brilliant	Sup
1926 MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant 495	1936 Cleveland. MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant 679 1936 Cleveland. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant obverse with	1920 P
Superb Gem 1927 Double Eagle	gold, rose, and blue toning on the reverse 229	faces. 1920 Pi
1,995 1,995 1,995	1936 Cleveland. MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant 89	1920 Pil
1927 MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant	1936 Cleveland. MS-64 (PCGS). Lustrous and beau-	1920 Pil
would look great in a high-grade type set! . 1,095	tiful	1920 Pil 1936 RI
1927 MS-64. Brilliant. Lustrous and very attrac-	1892 Columbian. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant 225	1936-S
tive	1892 Columbian. MS-63 (ANACS). Brilliant 79	1937 R
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1928 MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant	1936 Delaware. AU-58 (NGC)	1936 Re
	1936 Elgin. MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant 515 1936 Elgin. MS-65 (PCGS). Champagne centers with	1935-S S
	amber toning on the rims	1936-D
	1936 Elgin. MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant 169	1936-D
	1922 Grant. Plain. MS-66 (PCGS). Remarkable	1926 S
MY SECTION	quality for this early commemorative issue. 1,950	champ 1926 Ses
I delicense used to be a	Choice 1922 Grant 50¢ With Star	
COMMENIODATIVE	1922 Grant. With Star. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. Among early commemorative half dollars this is the	1935 Sp
COMMEMORATIVE	great classic (although much about it has been for-	pagne
SILVER COINS	gotten today). Very scarce in this high grade.2,595	Su
SIDVEIT CONTROL	1922 Grant With Star Rarity	1935 Sp
Superb Gem Uncirculated Isabella 25¢	1922 Grant. With Star AU-58 (PCGS). Bril-	pagne
1893 Isabella quarter dollar. MS-66 (PCGS). Bril-	liant 1,175	1935 Sp 1935 Sp
liant. An exceptional specimen. A prize for the con-	Rare 1928 Hawaiian Commemorative	1935 St
noisseur! 5,250	1928 Hawaiian. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. The rarest and most desirable of the commemorative	1934 Te
Gem Isabella Quarter	"types." Just 10,000 were released, with less	1934 Te
1893 Isabella quarter dollar. MS-65 (PCGS). Mostly brilliant with a whisper of golden peripheral	than half going to numismatists. Always in de-	1934 Ting
toning	mand!2,950	1935-D
1893 Isabella quarter dollar. MS-64 (PCGS). Bril-	1928 Hawaiian. AU-58 (PCGS). Light golden surfaces	1936-D
liant. From our listing you might think that Bowers and Merena Galleries has a "corner" on all of the	1928 Hawaiian. AU-50. Light gold surfaces. 1,150	1936-D 1936-D
nice commemoratives on the market. Well, we	1918 Lincoln-Illinois. MS-65 (PCGS). Golden ton-	1936-D
don't, but wish we did. However, when it comes to	ing	1936-D
quality, our inventory is nicer than any other we have	1920 Maine. MS-64. Brilliant	faces.
ever seen (and we do "get around")	1934 Maryland. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant 319	1936-S 1937 Te
liant	Gem 1921 Missouri Half Dollar	1937-S
1893 Isabella quarter dollar. MS-62. Brilliant. 609	1921 Missouri. Plain. MS-65 (PCGS). Wow! A gor-	1938 Te
Notable Mint State 1900 Lafayette \$1	geous beauty. From Brink's security chest 6,750	1938-D
1900 Lafayette silver dollar. MS-64 (PCGS). Light	Gem 1921 Missouri	
golden toning	Lovely Toning	1925 Va
Gem 1921 Alabama Half Dollar	1921 Missouri. Plain. MS-65 (PCGS). Light gold ton-	1927 Ve
1921 Alabama. Plain. MS-65 (PCGS). Bril-	ing encircled with deep orange at the rims 1,575	1947 Bo
liant	Gem 1923-S Monroe Half Dollar	liant.
1921 Alabama. Plain. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant.895 1921 Alabama. Plain. AU-55. Brilliant	1923-S Monroe. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. This is	1948-S
	one of the toughest commemoratives to find in	1949-S 1936 W
Marvelous 1921 Alabama Half Dollar	MS-65 grade, and 99% or more are far below this level 2,950	1936 W
1921 Alabama. 2X2. MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant and lustrous	1923-S Monroe. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant 439	1936 W
	1938 New Rochelle. MS-65 PL (NGC). Bril-	1936 W
Remarkable Alabama 2X2 50¢	liant	1936 Yo
1921 Alabama. 2X2. MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant	lar and somewhat scarce	1750 10
	1938 New Rochelle. MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. 325	
Gem Alabama 2X2 Half Dollar	1936 Norfolk MS-67 (NGC). Brilliant 545	

Don't miss our book specials and current titles on the back page of this issue of The Coin Collector! BOOKS ARE YOUR KEY TO SUCCESS! cceptional 1928 Oregon Half Dollar Oregon. MS-67 (NGC). Brilliant. 1,275 regon. MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant. 379 O Oregon. MS-66 (PCGS) Brilliant. ... 729 D Oregon. MS-66 (PCGS). Lightly Oregon, MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. 189 Oregon. MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant. 249 Oregon. MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. 249 regon. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. 175 Oregon. MS-66 (NGC). Brilliant. 249 Oregon. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. 169 erb Gem 1939-D Oregon Half Dollar Oregon. MS-67 (NGC). Brilliant. Incredow mintage! 1,695 Oregon. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. Oregon. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. Like-..... 439 erb Gem Panama-Pacific Half Dollar S Panama-Pacific. MS-66 (PCGS). Briland beautiful. One of the nicest we've ever Panama-Pacific. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. ssic. 1,425 Panama-Pacific. MS-64 (PCGS). Satiny ces with light amber toning. perb Gem 1920 Pilgrim Half Dollar Pilgrim. MS-66 (PCGS). Light rose surilgrim. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. 575 ilgrim. MS-64 (NGC). Brilliant. 149 ilgrim. MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant............ 69 ilgrim. MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant. 69 Chode Island. MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant.585 Rhode Island. MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. 995 oanoke. MS-67 (PCGS). Brilliant. 995 oanoke. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. 229 oanoke. MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant centers with sper of light golden peripheral toning. .. 209 obinson. MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. 849 obinson. MS-65 (PCGS). 289 San Diego. MS-65 (PCGS). 115 San Diego. MS-65 (PCGS). Lightly toned. 115 San Diego. MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. . 229 San Diego. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. . 115 Sesquicentennial. MS-64 (PCGS). Light pagne surfaces. 595 squicentennial. AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant.125 Superb Spanish Trail Half Dollar panish Trail. MS-67 (PCGS). Light chamsurfaces. 2,975 uperb Gem 1935 Old Spanish Trail panish Trail MS-66 (PCGS). Light chamsurfaces. 1,625 panish Trail. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. 1,275 panish Trail. AU-55. 850 cone Mountain. MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant.225 exas. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. 175 exas. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. 115 Texas. MS-64 (PCGS). Light golden ton-Texas. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. 175 Texas. MS-67 (PCGS). Brilliant. 595 Texas. MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. 249 Texas. MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant. 249 Texas. MS-65 (PCGS). Lightly toned. 175 Texas. MS-64 (NGC). Light golden sur-Texas. MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant...... 175 exas. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. 175 Texas. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. 175 exas. MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. 285 Texas. MS-64 (PCGS). Lightly toned. 345 Lovely 1925 Vancouver 50 ¢ ancouver. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. 1,495 ermont, MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. 169 ermont. AU-55 (PCGS). Brilliant. 175 sooker T. Washington. MS-65 (NGC) Bril-

Pregon. MS-64 (PCGS). Lightly toned. . 155

B.T.W. MS-65 (PCGS). Golden toning. 65 B.T.W. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. 99 Visconsin. MS-67 (NGC). Brilliant. 875 Visconsin. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. 209 Visconsin. MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. 199 ork. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. 189 ork. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. 179

COMMEMORATIVE **GOLD COINS**

Superb Gem 1922 Gold Dollar 1922 Grant gold dollar. Plain. MS-66 (PCGS). 1922 Grant gold dollar. Plain. MS-62 (PCGS). 1905 Lewis and Clark gold dollar. AU-55 (PCGS). Brilliant. 675 1903 Louisiana Purchase gold dollar. Jefferson portrait.

AU-55 (PCGS). 1903 Louisiana Purchase gold dollar. McKinley portrait. MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. 645 1903 Louisiana Purchase gold dollar. McKinley portrait. AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant. 395 1916 McKinley gold dollar. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. 1916 McKinley gold dollar. MS-63 (PCGS). Brilliant. 1916 McKinley gold dollar. AU-58 (NGC). Bril-liant. 425

Memorable 1915-S \$2.50

1915-S Panama-Pacific quarter eagle. MS-66 (PCGS).

Gem 1915-S Panama-Pacific \$2.50 1915-S Panama-Pacific quarter eagle. MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant. The rarest of the smaller denomination commemorative gold coins. 5,995

Attractive Panama-Pacific \$2.50 1915-S Panama-Pacific quarter eagle. MS-63. Brilliant. A beautiful and rare issue. 2,895

1926 Sesquicentennial Quarter Eagle 1926 Sesquicentennial quarter eagle. MS-65 (PCGS). Brilliant. Very few gem MS-65 coins exist. Distribution of grades seems to be logarithmic......3,795 1926 Sesquicentennial quarter eagle. MS-64 (PCGS). Brilliant. 895 1926 Sesquicentennial quarter eagle. MS-62 (PCGS). 1926 Sesquicentennial quarter eagle. MS-61 (PCGS). Brilliant. 329

Classic 1915-S Pan-Pacific Round \$50 1915-S Panama-Pacific. \$50 Round. AU-58 (PCGS). Brilliant. A lovely example of this rar-

Lovely \$50 Octagonal 1915-S Panama-Pacific 1915-S Panama-Pacific. \$50 Octagonal. MS-62 (PCGS). Brilliant. The octagonal version of the design, with some differences including dolphins in each of the angles. 34,500

1915-S Octagonal \$50 1915-S Panama-Pacific. \$50 Octagonal. MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant. 27,500

Rare 1915-S Octagonal \$50 1915-S Panama-Pacific. \$50 Octagonal. MS-61 (PCGS). Brilliant. A fitting conclusion to our absolutely dazzling offering of commemoratives! 27,500

Commemorative Memorabilia

Collection of Memorabilia of sculptor Elizabeth Jones. Collection of Ms. Elizabeth Jones, appointed by President Reagan in 1981 as the 11th Chief Sculptor and Engraver of the United States Mint. Ms. Jones was also the first woman to have been appointed to this position. Her artistic ability has been equaled by few others in America. At one time Coin World called her a modern-day equivalent of the legendary Augustus Saint-Gaudens. 1. REAGAN, RONALD. Four Signed Photos, color, 8 x 10" and 10 X 8", Washington, November 9, 1981, April 30, 1982, February 2, 1983 and December 22, 1988. Each photograph features President Reagan and Chief Sculptor Jones. The photos were all taken at The White House, during Ms. Jones' term. Signed by Ronald Reagan. Official White House photographs. a. Elizabeth Jones shaking hands with President Reagan at White House reception, November 9, 1981. b. President Reagan, Donna Pope and Elizabeth Jones in Oval Office, April 30, 1982. c. President Reagan, Treasurer Donald Regan, Donna Pope and Elizabeth Jones in Oval Office, February 3, 1983. d. President Reagan shaking hands with Elizabeth Jones in the Oval Office, December 22, 1988. Style of signatures varies over the years. 2. Five First Strike Press Kits as follows: a. Three statue of Liberty First Strike Kits, \$5 gold piece, October 18, 1985: including the signatures of James Baker III, Hawley Oakes, Katherine D. Ortega and others, on one of the programs: decorative invitation. October 19, 1986, U. S. Assay Office, San Francisco, CA for the First Strike ceremony for the U.S. silver bullion coin. b. Press Kit for the First Strike Gold American eagle gold bullion coin, September 8, 1986, included: Elizabeth Jones Ceremony name tag ribbon. c. Press Kit for the First Strike of the 1988 U.S. Olympic Gold Coin. A most interesting and informative col-

Hoffecker's Personal Medal Presidential gold medal inscribed 1939 / L.W. HOFFECKER/1941. These medals, produced in "coin gold" (.900 fine) were produced to mark the presidency of the American Numismatic Association. Hoffecker, who served the term from 1939 to 1941, was earlier a major promoter and distributor of various commemorative coinage issues, notably 1935 Old Spanish Trail and 1936 Elgin issues. Unique, of course—with Hoffecker inscription. A centerpiece for any commemorative exhibit showcasing "stories." 1,500 World's Columbian Exposition silver plated serving tray. This small tray measuring 7 X 8 inches, has an

engraving of the women's building with an addi-

PATTERNS

Popular Pattern 1863 Three Cents "Large Cent" Obverse

1863 pattern three-cent piece. Pollock-384. Judd-319. Rarity-5 to 6. Proof-64 RB (PCGS). Bronze or copper. Plain edge. Sultry red and brown surfaces. The popular variety with the obverse devices similar to the Braided Hair large cents of 1839-1857. A pleaser. 2,695

Gem Proof Pattern 1868 "Mini" Cent 1868 pattern cent. P-673, J-608. Rarity-5. Proof-66 (PCGS). Nickel. Plain edge. A dazzling gem with frosty motifs and deeply mirrored fields. A half dime-sized pattern with the obverse style of the contemporary nickel three-cent piece. A little coin in stature, but a large coin in appeal. 2,450

Lovely Gem Proof 1871 5¢ Copper, Plain Edge

Desirable 1869 Pattern Dime Standard Silver Issue

1869 pattern dime. P-787, J-708. Rarity-5. Proof-63 (NGC). Silver. Reeded edge. STAN-DARD SILVER issue. Bright and lustrous with lightly frosted motifs and mirror fields. A sheen of pale champagne toning graces both sides. A lovely Proof example of a popular pattern issue. ... 1,575

Pattern 1880 Metric \$1 Silver, Reeded Edge From the Celebrated Harry W. Bass, Jr. Collection

Pattern 1880 Goloid Metric \$1 P-1851 in Goloid or Related Alloy Another Bass Collection Jewel

1880 pattern dollar. P-1851, J-1651. Rarity-6. Metric reverse. Proof-63 (PCGS). Goloid composition. Reeded edge. Medium silver gray with rose and gold highlights. Lightly frosted motifs and mirrored fields. A hint of striking weakness is noted at the centers, a frequently seen occurence for the issue. Another sarce and important pattern from the Harry W. Bass, Jr. Collection. 5,095

SMALL DENOMINATION CALIFORNIA GOLD

COUNTERSTAMPED COINS

TOKENS, MEDALS, ETC.

Hard Times token: 1835 L-176. HT-434. Gustin & Blake. Chelsea, Vermont. G-VG Copper. Plain edge. Retouched reverse die. Soft brown surfaces. 590
1789 Washington cent. Baker-14, Kenney-7. Robinson copy. MS-63 BN. 379

Washington / Confederate Cent Muling
Undated (c.1792). Washington head Confederate cent muling. The only one struck, this is an

ate cent muling. The only one struck, this is an "old friend" and was featured in one of our catalogues decades ago! Recently, we bought it back. Now, you can buy it from us for 24,000

1792 Dickeson Cent

1792 Dickeson "cent." MS-64 RB. A splendid specimen of this "1792 trial piece," actually made circa the 1860s from an embossed revenue stamp die. Dr. Montroville W. Dickeson was the progenitor. An attractive and perennially interesting

"Grand Series of National Medals" Events in British History Silver Proofs in Book-Style Case

1820 "Grand Series of National Medals" published by James Mudie, himself an engraver. This lovely set of large silver medals, arranged in two large velvet drawers within an ornate red case, and accompanied by the original book-style catalogue listing the subscribers, is one of the most beautiful medallic sets we have ever offered. Original subscribers to the set started with His Majesty King George IV and included many other luminaries (see notes). The set showcased the works of various engravers, who cut dies for subjects suggested by Mudie, the engravers including Brenet, Dubois, Mills, Webb, and William Wyon, among others. Each medal is carefully done, from dies with excellent detail (each is a treat to study under magnification, which we spent a pleasant hour doing). Proofs, mirror finish, some light handling marks. Attractive light toning. A splendid set that would make a fantastic display in an office or cabinet of curiositiesthe latter being how such sets were displayed in country houses, castles, or even John Allan's (see below) town house in New York City. Includes 40 medals, 41.1 mm. each, two drawers, fitted case with gold embossing on cover, and original accompanying bound catalogue or book. 19,500 Trio of desirable 1876 Danish medals. Baker-

426A. Bronze. Plain edge. Weight: 1010.6 grains. Diameter: 52.7 mm. Proof. Rich chocolate brown surfaces with traces of gold, russet, and blue toning in the fields. Reflective obverse fields, while the reverse is more satiny with subdued lustre * Bullets-426 for type. Gilt bronze (unlisted in Baker). Plain edge. Weight: 1069.8 grains. Diameter: 52.7 mm. Proof. Bright golden surfaces with pleasing reflectivity in the fields. The devices are bold and satiny. Some Light hairlines are noted * B-426B. White metal. Plain edge. Weight: 771.8 grains. Diameter: 52.7 mm. Proof. Brilliant surfaces with deeply mirrored fields presenting a strong cameo between being the satiny silver devices. A beautiful threesome counted by some among the most beautiful Washington medals of their era. Stuck for the 1876 Centennial Exhibition. Designed, prepared and published by Danish men, F. Schmahlfeld, H. Ophlrik, and V. Christesen. 1,150

Empire Coin Company token. Circa 1960, our predecessor firm, Empire Coin Company, Inc., commissioned Alphonse Kolb, well-known Rochester, NY, die-sinker, to create these tokens for us. The approximate size of a United States large cent of the 1793-1857 years, and struck in copper, each token depicts on the obverse the famous IMMUNIS COLUMBIA motif taken from the "Columbia" being a 1/80-1/8/ copper coinage. representation of "America." The reverse depicts an eagle perched on a palm branch and is derived from the design used on the rare 1795 U.S. \$5 gold coin. Examples are with "antiqued" finish as made. Dave Bowers discovered a little box full of these. Each

CANADIAN COINS

Canadian One-Cent Pieces

1946 Specimen-64 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red with deeper highlights on the king's portrait 295
1946 SP-64 RB (PCGS). Lustrous red and brown
with obverse cameo contrast
1946 SP-63 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red with strong eye
appeal
1946 SP-63 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red 195
1946 SP-63 RB (PCGS). Highly lustrous red and
brown
1947 Maple Leaf. SP-65 RD (PCGS). A brilliant red
example of this popular issue 395
1948 SP-65 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red. An important
date. Rare so fine 575

Canadian Five-Cent Pieces

Attracting Young Numismatists

An issue of *Theatre Organ*, devoted to Wurlitzer and other pipe organs which used to thrill millions in movie theatres, recently commented concerning a theatre organ concert. "Looking outfrom the stage, what do you see?" The answer was "A lot of gray", gray hair that is. Few youngsters were in attendance.

Similarly, the latest issue of Sky & Telescope magazine has as its cover story, "Where Are the Young Astronomers? What does it take to draw today's youngsters away from television and out under the stars?" Other examples could be given, including a comment I heard from a stamp dealer, "Kids that used to spend evenings filling stamp albums are now on the Internet instead."

Focusing on our own hobby, what does it take to encourage young boys and girls to take up the pursuit of coin collecting?

There is no easy answer. Without a doubt, the new state reverse quarter dollars have had a wide appeal. Kim G., a wait person at one of my favorite local restaurants has all three of her youngsters chasing after these new 25-cent pieces, and all are enthusiastic. At the recent ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs there were quite a few members of the younger set—not a large percentage, but still quite a few. A few years ago when I regularly taught the "All About Coins" course at the Seminar, I consistently found that teenagers were more interested, learned more quickly, and were more excited than were adults. One teenager in particular, Dwight Manley, whose name has been prominent in connection with the "Ship of Gold," exhibit of coins from the S.S. Central America, decided to become a rare coin dealer after attending one of my classes.

Clearly youngsters offer a lot of potential, at the same time, there are countless distractions—sports, television, travel, the Internet, and just to cover all bases, the necessity to do homework. I have no easy answer to the problem. It pervades just about every indoor hobby, as more and more things compete for a fixed amount of time. Probably a simplistic answer is to make numismatics more *interesting* than certain of the other alternatives. No one has ever collected coins because they have to, only because they want to.

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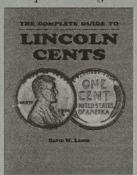
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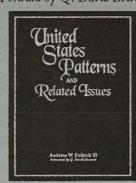


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